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1 (In open court; jury not present) THE DEPUTY CLERK: This is the continuation of the 2 3 matter now on trial. The United States of America v. Ross 4 William Ulbricht, 14 Cr. 68. Counsel, state your names for the 5 record. MR. TURNER: Good morning, we're down to our skeleton 6 7 crew, Serrin Turner and Timothy Howard for the government and 8 Molly Rosen, paralegal. 9 THE COURT: Good morning. 10 MR. DRATEL: Joshua Dratel for Mr. Ulbricht who is 11 standing beside me. Joshua Horowitz is here as well. Lindsay 12 Lewis from my office is on her way. 13 THE COURT: Thank you. Good morning to all of you. 14 MR. DRATEL: Good morning. 15 THE COURT: My intention was to proceed through the jury instructions and to pick up where we left off, unless you 16 17 folks had other things that you would like to deal with first. 18 Are there any housekeeping matters or other matters that we should deal with right now before we start? 19 20 MR. DRATEL: No, your Honor. 21 THE COURT: Mr. Turner. 2.2 MR. TURNER: No, your Honor. Thank you. 23 THE COURT: Thank you. We are in the jury 24 instructions. We're working from the same version as

yesterday, which is that which you folks have provided to the

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Court, and we are on objects of the conspiracy, page 54. The single-versus-multiple-conspiracy issue is one that I think we

like to say in addition to what has been said, I'll go through

briefed. I think that, unless anybody has anything else they'd

everything carefully and make a determination as to whether we

should have a single versus multiple charge. If there are

additional points you'd like to make, go ahead.

MR. DRATEL: We would like to do research and perhaps have a letter perhaps by mid-day tomorrow perhaps.

THE COURT: I will then hold off on going through that. It's something that I need to give thought to, so having your letter would be very helpful.

MR. DRATEL: Okay. Thank you.

THE COURT: So that's the changes for 52 and 53.

That's pages 52 and 53, so we'll hold on those. In terms of the objects of the conspiracy, on page 54, there are two changes, one of which doesn't appear to be objected to. That's the insertion of the "beyond a reasonable doubt" language which is fine with me.

MR. TURNER: No objection.

THE COURT: I take it that was then a defense point, so we'll accept that.

MR. DRATEL: Yes.

THE COURT: The other point was the deletion of "or to aid and abet such activity," and this appears in several

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places. I wanted to find out from Mr. Dratel the basis of the deletion.

MR. DRATEL: I don't think you can aid and abet a conspiracy. Aiding and abetting is the complete -- and while a conspiracy is completed upon agreement, that's different than completing a substantive offense, so I don't see any basis for aiding and abetting a conspiracy. That's a multilevel inchoate crime, which I think is a due process violation.

THE COURT: I was just reading, and I think it's a Judge Oakes case, Second Circuit in the 80's, it could be the Perry case -- but I'm not sure if that's the right case I have written down here, actually, I have it in my robing room, I have the pink highlighter on it -- where this exact issue was debated. And Oakes writes the decision for the panel. panel believes that there is a crime of aiding and abetting a conspiracy. He suggests that he would have reached the same result on a different basis. So it's sort of a funny opinion in some ways because it says my colleagues, my colleagues, my colleagues in the majority opinion as opposed to what sounds almost like a dissent. And that opinion I believe has been cited again, and that's the Orozco-Prada case, which does suggest that this kind of crime exists. I looked that issue because I, like you, didn't know how you would aid and abet something that itself is a conspiracy, but it does appear to be something which the Second Circuit has addressed.

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Have you found any cases, Mr. Dratel, which have said that it's not a crime?

MR. TURNER: Can I clarify for the record, the charge is conspiracy to aid and abet, not to aid and abet a conspiracy.

THE COURT: I'm sorry. Correct. Conspiracy to aid and abet. My mistake flows from the fact that I find this a somewhat confusing concept.

MR. DRATEL: That, I don't think you can have a conspiracy to aid and abet either because the conspiracy to commit is to the unlawful act, not to aid and abet an unlawful act, and there are cases on that. I don't have them. Maybe we'll put that all in our letter tomorrow, your Honor, okay? We'll include that.

THE COURT: Actually, it is the *U.S. v. Perry* case. If you've got anything, Mr. Dratel, that suggests that *U.S. v. Perry* and that line is not good law, I would need to see that; otherwise, I would be bound to follow Second Circuit law.

MR. DRATEL: I understand.

THE COURT: It's 643 F.2d 18, and that was the case that I was referring to.

MR. DRATEL: Thank you. Can we address that in our letter tomorrow?

THE COURT: Yes.

Is there anything that you wanted to say further on

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that topic, Mr. Turner, other than what's laid in and out your papers?

MR. TURNER: On that topic, yes. This has already been briefed. It was in the motions to dismiss. This is the charge in the indictment. It specifically alleges conspiracy to aid and abet. The indictment has been upheld in response to the motion to dismiss, and we're now entitled to present that indictment to the jury. So as far as we're concerned, it's the law of the case.

THE COURT: I hear your position. Let's go on to the next change, which really starts on 57, and it's the inclusion of additional language on participation in a conspiracy, and it's that whole page, 57. I didn't know if this was agreed-to language or not agreed-to language.

MR. TURNER: This is the government's proposal. I'm not sure whether he agrees to it.

THE COURT: Defense.

MR. DRATEL: Our defense is not withdrawal, and on its face, the instruction appears not to be objectionable; however, I just want to go back and look to see if we want to add any language.

THE COURT: The Court was fine with the language.

Page 58, extent of participation, the first change is the insertion of "He need not have been a part of the conspiracy when it ended." And I think that that is a correct

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Trial statement of the law. 1 2 MR. DRATEL: Yes. 3 THE COURT: And I think it's a government change. 4 MR. TURNER: Yes, your Honor. 5 THE COURT: I don't have any problem with the 6 inclusion of "participated in" as opposed to "join" in that 7 first paragraph on page 58. Mr. Dratel, do you have any problem with that? 8 9 MR. DRATEL: No. 10 THE COURT: The next change is also the similar one. 11 We'll just take both of those joining/participating changes. The following one is "before or after he joined" in addition to 12 13 all that was done, and then the language that follows that and 14 then the other insertion. 15 MR. DRATEL: I know what the state of the law is, but I'm just objecting to "before." 16 17 THE COURT: You're making a principled objection recognizing the law is against you on that? 18 19 MR. DRATEL: Right. 20 MR. TURNER: Your Honor, this was actually my 21 language, but can we change "before or after he joined" to 22 "before or after he participated"? It's just a small concern 23 there. If he started the conspiracy, it's a little awkward to

THE COURT: I think the effect of participation or

say he joined, so if we can make it a little more open.

joining is the same.

The next page, page 59, without reading it in, it's the first full paragraph, I was fine with these changes. Does anybody have a problem with them?

MR. TURNER: No. That was the government's change.

MR. DRATEL: Yes. It's the same concept.

THE COURT: So I'll take those. Then we are on page 64. There was a typo which was the first change. That's fine. Deletion of the word "to." And then the inclusion of the word specific.

MR. DRATEL: I'm sorry, page 60 --

THE COURT: Four. This is continuing criminal enterprise charge, the CCE charge. So the inclusion of the words "specific violations."

MR. TURNER: My only concern there, your Honor, is that there's clear circuit law holding that a conspiracy can be one of the predicate violations. So, if the idea here is that it has to consist in, like, one specific act, I don't think that's accurate. I think three or more violations says enough.

THE COURT: Well, let's take that as part of some of the -- and this I think is the issue that we should spend the rest of our time talking about this morning, perhaps -- which is, the issues with respect to CCE more generally; and I think that point fits into the extent to which the three or more series of violations need to be laid out someplace.

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I think the law is clear that they need not be laid out in the indictment. There have been some views expressed by judges that perhaps they should be, but the law has developed that indictments have passed muster without the violations being specified. So, I believe under the law, that ship has sailed. The question is whether or not they need to be spelled out in the instructions or in closing or somewhere. And here, the government does reference "these offenses include," but violations I think are potentially broader than that.

Go ahead, Mr. Turner.

Sure. Your Honor, if it's permissible MR. TURNER: for the indictment to just have this level of specificity which is reflected in the instruction that it includes violations of these various offenses, that's, again, the charge we're entitled to present to the jury. There's no sort of sudden bill of particulars that can be thrust on the government. I think the language in some of the opinions when they talk about specifying the offenses, all they're really talking about is specifying offenses as reflected in something like page 66. haven't seen any law suggesting that the government is suddenly required to choose three specific acts and argue only those acts. The jury is free to select whatever acts they want to from the evidence they have heard.

I want to separate analytically a couple THE COURT: of things just to make sure that I understand exactly where the

issues between the parties join.

One is listing the counts on page 66, Count One, Count Two, Count Three and then another Count Three is listing offenses. If the jury convicted the defendant on those counts, they could certainly be predicate counts that would constitute the continuing series. That's one issue.

There's a separate issue as to whether or not if the defendant were to be acquitted on one or more of those counts, whether or not there would be sufficient other violations in whatever counts either he was convicted of or there need not be convictions under the CCE case law for violations to be found.

In other words, you can have somebody who is acquitted of a particular charge but found to have violated the narcotics law in a continuing series, so without having a conviction on that series. That seems to be clear.

So I need to understand if the government's position is that they're only seeking to have the series be Counts One Two, Three and Three, because Three is mentioned twice, or whether it is that there are potentially numerous violations embedded within any one of those counts.

MR. TURNER: It's the latter, your Honor. When we reference the counts here, it's just that these offenses are defined in discussing Count One, Count Two, Count Three. For example, the last paragraph there, using a communication facility in committing or in causing or facilitating violations

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of narcotics laws, that's not charged anywhere in a count.

It's one of the objects of Count Three, but it's not something the jury is required to find. They can find that another object was part of the conspiracy. But nonetheless, the point is that that violation is defined in discussing Count Three.

So we could argue to the jury there have been numerous electronic communications you've seen where we would argue the defendant is using a communications facility in furtherance of narcotics trafficking or of aiding and abetting narcotics activity. The law is very clear that each time a communications facility is used in that way, that is a separate violation. So the jury can pick three of those and say —

THE COURT: I think the communication facility, agree with you, there is a case on that. I don't think it's the most clear of all of the CCE continuing series of violations.

There's been some criticism of using repeated phone calls all in furtherance of the same object, but I don't disagree with you that there is a case on that. Certainly I think there are cases which say if you distributed drugs or participated in the distribution of drugs on three or more occasions, that's enough.

MR. TURNER: Right. We'll have thousands of transactions that the defendant participated in to the extent that he facilitated those transactions through the site, got a commission through the site. Each one of those can be taken

separately.

THE COURT: So your position is that the government does not need to anywhere lay out, for instance, on January 1, 2012, the following happened on December 1, the following happened November 1, the following happened, etc.

MR. TURNER: Right. There's no need for us to specify in advance "Here are the ones you are limited to finding." The jury is free to look at the evidence and decide whether the charge in the indictment has been proven.

THE COURT: Let me hear from Mr. Dratel as to the basis for deleting these. And I've looked at the cases, by the way, that you folks have cited in your original pieces.

Go ahead, Mr. Dratel.

MR. DRATEL: If the government doesn't have to specify the series of violations that constitute the crime, then the jury is not tethered to anything legally in the context of what the elements of the offense are and what the charge is. So, for example, we don't know what was in the grand jury. I doubt Mr. Duch's material was in the grand jury. He signed a cooperation agreement in December. So they're going to put in front of the jury a series of violations to establish the CCE that the grand jury never saw. So, this is a variance of significant proportion.

Also, essentially what the government wants to do is have the option of a charge that is duplicitous in the sense

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that it includes many other offenses without defining them, and that's something that's obviously a problem with respect to due process, double jeopardy, all of that.

The question of the indictment is very different. If the government's position were correct, all the Court would do on these instructions would read the indictment and not read a series of instructions about what the elements are of an offense and explain them to the jury.

Also, you know, with respect to Counts One, Two and Three, I don't think it's necessarily the case that they alone would constitute a series because they may all be based on the same single act. In other words, they can find Count One and Count Two based on the same single transaction.

THE COURT: Well, in fact, there's case law about some of the points that you have raised, and let's just take the double jeopardy point, and the way it appears to be dealt with is if there's a conviction on the CCE charge, then you deal with that at sentencing. And you may end up dismissing, for instance, a conviction on a conspiracy charge, but it's a sentencing issue. That's the way I read the case law for the double jeopardy issue.

In terms of the violations for the grand jury, let me hear from you, Mr. Turner. It does strike me that certainly there were statements in the indictment as to thousands of transactions and that was part of the indictment and,

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therefore, the fact that you have put on evidence of one of those vendors and buyers is just proof of that.

MR. TURNER: I don't think that has anything to do with what we can prove to the jury. To give your Honor an example from a different context. Overt acts: Where you have to specify an overt act as part of a conspiracy, part of the standard instruction the to the jury is you don't have to find that that specific overt act was the overt act. You're free to find that any other overt act satisfies the overt act requirement.

It's the same here. We're not suggesting -- of course we're not suggesting that the elements of the crime should not be instructed to the jury, but that's different from limiting the government to a specific theory or limiting the jury to a specific finding that it has to make when numerous alternative findings would satisfy the elements.

THE COURT: How about the point Mr. Turner just made, Mr. Dratel, on the overt act? That does seem to have some traction.

MR. DRATEL: I think it's really more like a R.I.C.O. where you have predicate offenses that are the underlying bases for the count and those have to be enumerated, charged and proven separately; otherwise, you have no idea what the jury is If the government has thousands of transactions, it shouldn't be that difficult to list them for the jury or to

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identify them for the jury in a way that protects Mr. Ulbricht from this moving target that we'll never know what is the basis for this count. Just by saying, well, there's drug-dealing on the site, you won't be able to do that in a R.I.C.O. Well, it's an organized crime operation, so therefore pick — and those cases initially were like that, they were all reversed or changed to the extent that you couldn't just have predicate acts floating out there that were not specific and identified.

THE COURT: I'll let you respond. Let me find out how the jury is doing. We're waiting on five.

MR. TURNER: You can say this with respect to any crime, your Honor. You can say wire fraud, unless the government has spelled out in the instructions what were the constituent acts of the wire fraud, then we'll never know what the jury was thinking. It's the jury's business to determine what proof meets the elements. That's the way it works.

So here, we have the charge in the indictment. It's up to the jury to decide whether the proof the government has presented meets the elements of the crime and the government doesn't have to again instruct the jury that only if you find the proof is met, that the proof meets the elements in this particular way, can you find the defendant guilty. No. It's up to the jury to figure out on their own whether there is sufficient proof to meet the elements. That's their job. And this charge is no different from any other in that respect.

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MR. DRATEL: If he's talking about wire fraud, a substantive wire mail fraud count has the actual transmission as the crime. It's identified in the indictment. This is not a conspiracy.

THE COURT: Let me consider those arguments against the case law and we'll take it from there.

While we're waiting for the jurors, let's just go on. Page 69, there are two changes. I agree that as to the first shaded language, it's unnecessary and confusing actually to the Court, that's the shaded language, the insertion of "but any such person." I assume that the next portion of language is a governmental insertion, and I would like to hear from the defendant whether or not he agrees.

Mr. Turner, am I right about that?

MR. TURNER: Yes, your Honor.

THE COURT: I don't think either of these insertions are frankly necessary.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MR}}.$  TURNER: I can explain the reason why we thought it was necessary.

THE COURT: Why don't you tell me your reason.

MR. TURNER: Because the language in the instruction as it exists focuses on employer/employee-like supervision, and we have actually two theories on the organizer supervisor manager relationship, and one is the fact that this individual, this defendant, supervised a number of employees or contractors

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who were working under him, that's one theory, but he was also an organizer of others. The vendors, he organized all of their activities into essentially one orderly enterprise in the sense there is very specific Second Circuit language approving of that theory. That's a theory we want to argue to the jury and that's why we'd like it reflected in the instructions.

THE COURT: Let me understand that argument. the government's position that to focus for a moment on the word "organize" or "organizer" as this element can be read to do, or it has three different parts but focusing on "organizer," is it the government's position that the defendant, if he had no other administrators, would nonetheless have organized whatever number of vendors there are and, in fact, organized whatever buyers there are through the implementation of electronic processes?

MR. TURNER: I think we focus on the vendors, but the answer is yes. So if you had a kingpin who, let's say, didn't have anybody who was his employee, not that you would characterize it that way, but he nonetheless had a whole network of vendors and that his activity was crucial into organizing them all into one effective project or one effective enterprise, that would meet the terms of the statute as the Second Circuit has specifically defined organizer in this This is verbatim Second Circuit language.

MR. DRATEL: Applied in a very, very different

context, --

MR. TURNER: I don't think so.

MR. DRATEL: -- not in the context that they're talking about, people, buyers and sellers out in the world, completely disconnected from the defendant on a real-world level.

MR. TURNER: We're talking about a continuing criminal enterprise.

THE COURT: This is a mob case. I forgot which one you cited. What's the name of the case?

MR. TURNER: I was just going to check my notes, your Honor. I can pull it up. I believe the circuit is just defining those terms supervisor, organizer, manager generally and that's the way it defines "organizer," but I can pull it up, your Honor.

THE COURT: I can look back at your original instruction and see what you cited.

MR. TURNER: I think the whole point of the statute is to go after someone who builds an enterprise, and you can do that in a number of ways.

THE COURT: Let me throw this out there, but tell me what your view is on how it's different from -- and it's somebody who is a broker and what they do is they send out instructions for everybody to call an automated phone line and push the button "I'd like to buy now," and 15 people call in.

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So it's one person working out of his own home, he's got a bunch of stray cats wandering around wanting to sell drugs, he says "Fine, if you want drugs, call this number and push the button, press one," he's organized them. Does that constitute organizer?

MR. TURNER: I think it could. I think if you're creating an enterprise there that is something different than what existed before. If you are building a substantial enterprise and you are the key organizer of that enterprise, then you can do that in a number of ways. There are other elements of the statute, as well. You have to yourself receive substantial profits from the enterprise. It can't just be some guy in the street who is brokering some deals —

THE COURT: Although \$1,400 was found to be substantial in one of the cases. I'm saying the word "substantial" is --

MR. TURNER: That's the flexibility of the statute, I suppose. There are differences between the terms organizer supervisor and manager. Supervisor and manager mean something different than organizer; and the way the Second Circuit has specifically defined it is exactly the way we put it in the instruction.

MR. DRATEL: I don't think the Second Circuit ever defined it as customers.

MR. TURNER: Again --

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THE COURT: He was focusing on vendors. What's your 1 2 view on the point regarding vendors? 3 MR. TURNER: The vendors are -- the organizational 4 aspect of it in the context of those cases is much more clearly 5 connected in terms of an organization. 6 This is not an organization. There is no way the 7 government can claim this is an organization. So in the context of organize, organize is a root of organization. 8 9 Vendors are not part of an organization. Even under the 10 government's theory, they avail themselves of a website; it's 11 not an organization. And that's what this statute is about. 12 It's not about a landlord, even if the landlord is 13 liable being the organizer because he rents out space to people 14 who deal drugs, that's not a CCE. It's never been. 15 THE COURT: Let me consider all of that. We have also got on page 72 -- are we still waiting 16 17 for some folks? 18 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Two more. THE COURT: We have conspiracy to commit or aid and 19 20 abet computer hacking. Now, the indictment does charge aiding 21 and abetting for computer hacking. 22 MR. DRATEL: That's just the same question, but it 23 says to commit or aid and abet. I know it charges that. I 24 think it's just the same argument as before about the

conspiracy to aid and abet. I don't think this is an aid and

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abet conspiracy. This is a conspiracy to aid and abet. objection is to the legal concept of a conspiracy to aid and That would not be appropriate. THE COURT: Tell me, Mr. Turner, how you folks read Do you read it as a conspiracy to commit or a conspiracy this. to aid and abet computer hacking, or do you read it as a conspiracy to commit computer hacking and separately potentially aiding and abetting computer hacking? MR. TURNER: It's a conspiracy to commit or to aid and abet computer hacking; that's the way it's charged. So there's an agreement with others to commit computer hacking or to aid and abet others in computer hacking. THE COURT: In other words, the jury could not find conspiracy but could find aiding and abetting computer hacking?

MR. TURNER: No. It's a conspiracy charge.

THE COURT: I think that's what I'm trying to figure out in terms of how you read it, because one could parse the language in two different ways.

MR. TURNER: The object of the conspiracy is to commit or aid and abet computer hacking.

THE COURT: So it is exactly the same issue. Then we've got the same issues appear on page 73. I think those are the same issues.

MR. DRATEL: Yes.

THE COURT: It's the same issue on page 75, so those

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all flow from that issue.

The next change I have is on page 83. It's the deletion of the term "funds." Did anybody disagree with that deletion?

MR. TURNER: Your Honor, I'm sorry. Could we go back to 73. I think there was an additional change --

THE COURT: I'm sorry. You're right.

MR. TURNER: -- which would include any computer connected to the Internet.

THE COURT: Correct. Whose change was that?

MR. DRATEL: That was mine. And the reason would be I think that's the equivalent of a directed verdict on that element. It's kind of like with the interstate commerce and some of the other aspects about drugs. I think the current state is not to tell the jury that a specific piece of evidence satisfies that element. It may not be a dispute, but I think it's somewhat of a directed verdict on that issue.

THE COURT: Mr. Turner.

MR. TURNER: Well, your Honor, I think it's providing an example to the jury of what a protected computer can mean. All it says is "...which would include any computer connected to the Internet." It doesn't say that the computers in this case have been proven to be connected to the Internet or anything like that.

THE COURT: I now understand the back and forth on

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that issue, so let me circle back to it. Then if there is nothing else, let's go to page 83, and that's a deletion by the defendant. Does anybody have a problem with that deletion?

MR. TURNER: Yes, your Honor. I think it's an accurate statement of the law. They need to understand that "funds" includes a medium of exchange so that the government can argue that bitcoins are funds under the statute.

THE COURT: Mr. Dratel, do you disagree that it's a correct statement of the law?

MR. DRATEL: The basis for the objection is consistent with our pretrial motions in respect to the money laundering counts.

THE COURT: I will then keep the fund language consistent with my ruling on that motion.

Page 85, there is a deletion and insertion. Is it your deletion?

MR. DRATEL: It's my deletion.

THE COURT: It's Mr. Dratel's deletion.

MR. DRATEL: Both are mine.

THE COURT: Why don't you tell me the basis.

MR. DRATEL: Sure. I'll take the second one first. It just says "each potential conspirator." I think there has to be a conspirator, not a potential conspirator, but the larger one in the first paragraph is --

THE COURT: Let me make sure we're in the same place.

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Page 85, this is on money laundering?
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MR. DRATEL: Yes.

THE COURT: The third element.

MR. DRATEL: Yes. And the first one I mentioned is just that the last word of the second paragraph, the word "potential."

THE COURT: I see. There's also the insertion in between.

MR. DRATEL: Right.

THE COURT: That's not yours?

MR. DRATEL: Wait. No. I think they're all mine, but the first sentence that is deleted, with the one that begins with "The government does not have to," it's our position -- and I understand what the state of the law may be -- but it's our position that it would have to be specified because otherwise, again, we'd have the same problem of the jury basically passing on something that is not even in the case. It says -- I take out the word "only," that the government has to prove that the individuals agreeing knew that the defendant knew the transactions involved the proceeds, because I believe that's an element of the offense is the defendant's knowledge.

THE COURT: We're waiting on two jurors who have been among those coming in a little bit later on another occasion.

One of them number three has said that he's on his way. He has communicated with Joe, but we haven't heard from number six, so

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he's going to try to find out where she is.
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Mr. Turner, why don't you respond to what Mr. Dratel just said.

MR. TURNER: I think this is a pretty simple one, your Honor. The defendant's view of the law, I mean, basically is an instruction which reflects what the defendant desires the law to be but not what it is. 1956 is very clear that while the government has to prove that the proceeds actually did come from specified unlawful activity, as far as the defendant's state of mind is concerned, the government only has to prove the defendant knew the proceeds came from some form of unlawful activity. The statute is explicit about that.

THE COURT: I do agree with you, Mr. Turner, that that is the current state of the law.

MR. DRATEL: What about "potential"?

THE COURT: The word "potential"?

MR. TURNER: No objection.

THE COURT: We'll take out the word "potential."

The next page, page 86, the first change is simply a typo. "It concerns," and then the insertion of the words "the purpose." And then down at the bottom there's an additional sentence, which I think is a correct statement of the law.

MR. DRATEL: I would take out the "again."

MR. TURNER: No objection.

THE COURT: No objection?

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MR. TURNER: No.

THE COURT: Page 89, variance in dates. This struck me as language changes and not anything particularly substantive.

MR. TURNER: I think that's right. We just wanted to make clear that there's case law holding that as long as we prove that conduct occurred within the dates, not even necessarily around the dates. This is basically in response to the defense's argument that oh, well, he was involved, but then he left. We would argue that, if so, that's conduct within the date range and is still leaves him liable.

THE COURT: Mr. Dratel, do you have any problem with this?

MR. DRATEL: I think the second sentence, the Court instruction was the correct instruction and the traditional instruction. That's what I think it should be as far as the second sentence.

THE COURT: In other words, you would not have any conduct alleged, you object to the insertion of that and would keep "These events or transactions occurred."

MR. DRATEL: I'm sorry. Third sentence. I'm sorry.

THE COURT: Third sentence. As long as there is a substantial similarity between the dates alleged, etc., etc., that was the way it was.

MR. DRATEL: Yes.

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THE COURT: And you prefer that over "the conduct occurred around any dates or within any time periods."

MR. DRATEL: Correct. Because that means it could occur without -- that language could have it occur outside the time period of the indictment.

MR. TURNER: Which is fine, as long as it's around the time period.

MR. DRATEL: I don't think so.

MR. TURNER: No. That's what substantially similar means.

THE COURT: It's within any time period the indictment alleges.

MR. TURNER: That's what we want to make clear.

THE COURT: The cases I think talk about substantial similarity. Let me see what you cited, Mr. Turner, as to whether or not the breadth of it supports what you're saying, but I'm more used to substantial similarity language.

MR. TURNER: Can we provide that case law later in the day?

THE COURT: You may have had it already in your initial instructions. I just didn't think there was a --

MR. TURNER: This is a modification based on the defense's opening, but there is support in the law for the "within" concept.

THE COURT: Give me what you have.

MR. TURNER: Sure.

THE COURT: Fine. Page 90, venue, this is a case in which venue has received more attention than some cases. I think it is worth inserting the following sentence after the first sentence. I think it's implicit, but I think in this case it's perhaps more useful than in some cases to hold this out. The insertion would be "You must make a separate venue determination with respect to each count." Otherwise, I am fine with the changes that have been proposed.

MR. TURNER: We have no objection to that change, your Honor.

MR. DRATEL: No, your Honor. No objection.

THE COURT: Now, that's for that page, page 90. Now, on the next page, it's still in the venue section, but there are debates or disputes between the parties as to the deletions on these pages. So the *Rowe* case does appear to support the first recitation of the law.

Are you folks okay or do we need a very short break before we start? Let's get going. Bring Mr. Duch out.

The Remiroyer (ph) case is I think the second case for the second paragraph there that, when I was going over it, it does appear that the law is clear, it's preponderance. I understand your point. Mr. Dratel, I assume for you, it's your argument for reasonable doubt for that for venue, but you understand the law is against you on that --

1 (In open court; jury present)

THE COURT: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.

Mr. Duch, I remind you that remain under oath from yesterday.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: Mr. Dratel, you may proceed.

MR. DRATEL: Thank you, your Honor.

MICHAEL DUCH,

CROSS-EXAMINATION CONTINUED

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- 11 Q. Good morning Mr. Duch.
- 12 A. Good morning.
- 13 | Q. Now, going back to your initial meetings with the
- 14 government back in February of 2014, you were initially told
- 15 | that you would have to plead guilty to everything that you did,
- 16 || right?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 | Q. But you didn't, right?
- 19 A. I did not.
- 20 | Q. And with respect to your cooperation agreement with the
- 21 government, it's required that you provide substantial
- 22 assistance to the government, right?
- 23 A. Can you repeat the question, please.
- 24 | Q. Sure. Your cooperation agreement requires you to provide
- 25 substantial assistance to the government, correct?

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- 1 Α. That's correct.
- And the government is the sole decider as to whether or not 2 Q.
- 3 you have provided that substantial assistance, correct?
- 4 That's correct. Α.
- 5 Now, you haven't been asked to testify against anyone with
- 6 respect to Atlantis, correct?
- 7 That's correct.
- 8 And Atlantis, just to refresh, is another website that you
- 9 sold drugs on, right?
- 10 Α. That's correct.
- 11 And you haven't been asked to testify about anybody with
- 12 respect to BMR, right, which is another website of that sort?
- 13 That's correct. Α.
- 14 So the only case you're testifying is this case, right?
- 15 Α. From what I understand, yes.
- Now, you testified yesterday that you sold drugs on 16
- 17 Atlantis, correct?
- 18 A. Yes, I did.
- 19 But initially, you denied that you sold anywhere but Silk
- 20 Road, right?
- 21 No. I did mention that I did have accounts on Atlantis as
- 22 well as Black Market Reloaded.
- 23 And that's BMR, right, Black Market Reloaded? 0.
- 24 Α. That's correct, BMR.
- 25 Let me show you what's marked as 3514-2. I'm sorry.

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- 3514-10. Page two, 3514-10, and just look at the document. 1 2 I'll show you where to look.
- 3 But you met with the government on October 14, 2014, 4 correct?
  - Α. That's correct.

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- 6 Let me just show you this highlighted portion. Did you not 7 deny -- withdrawn.
  - Did you not at first tell the government that you only sold drugs on Silk Road?
  - A. No, I did not. From what I understand, the government was aware I also had accounts on BMR as well as Atlantis, and it was my testimony yesterday that I did transact drug deals on
  - Q. You testified to that yesterday, but the question is when you first talked to the government or when you talked to them October 14 whether or not you sold only on Silk Road?
  - The statement here says that I sold drugs only on Silk Road but --
  - THE COURT: Don't read it in. He's asking you whether or not that refreshes your recollection. If it doesn't, it doesn't. If it does, it does.
- 22 THE WITNESS: It does not because, again, I did 23 sell --
- 24 THE COURT: That's the answer.
- 25 THE WITNESS: Okay.

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- So you first saw Silk Road, the website, in October 2012, 1 2 correct?
- 3 That's correct. Α.
- 4 And you were already back on heroin as of August of 2012, Ο.
- 5 correct?

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- That was the time that I relapsed, yes; that's correct. 6
- 7 And yesterday you said you bought heroin once on Silk Road, correct?
- 9 Yes, I did. Α.
- 10 And didn't you tell the government in your first interview with them that you didn't buy any heroin on Silk Road? 11
- I don't remember whether I mentioned that I did purchase 12 13 heroin at that time on Silk Road.
- 14 That's not my question. My question is, didn't you tell Q. the government that you only bought Oxycontin, Oxycodone and 15 Methadone from Silk Road? 16
- 17 MR. TURNER: Objection; asked and answered.
- THE COURT: Overruled. 18
  - Can you repeat the question. Α.
- 20 Sure. In your first interview back in February of 2014 21 with the government, did you not tell the government that you 22 bought only Oxycontin, Oxycodone and Methadone from Silk Road
- 23 and did you say that twice in that first interview?
- 24 Not that I can recall. Α.
- 25 Did you -- well, let me show you what's marked as 3514-2.

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- MR. TURNER: 1 The government objects. There's no prior inconsistent statement. 2
- THE COURT: Let's see whether or not he can refresh 3 4 his recollection with it.
  - Q. Does this refresh your recollection that during the first meeting with the government, February 6, 2014, you claimed that you only bought Oxycodone, Oxycontin and Methadone or
- Methylone? Which is it? 8
- 9 It was Methadone.
- 10 Okay. So, did you tell the government that, and then --11 and that you did it and that you told the government that
- 12 twice? Just read that sentence. See if that refreshes your
- 13 recollection.
- 14 A. No. I believe I told the government all of the drugs that
- I purchased on Silk Road. 15
- Q. You first started selling drugs on Silk Road April 2013, 16
- 17 correct?
- 18 Α. That's correct.
- That's the first time you were ever involved in the 19
- 20 seller's contract or anything like that, correct?
- 21 Α. That's correct.
- 22 And you never saw the site in 2011 or 2012 until you got on
- 23 in October, right?
- 24 Α. That's correct.
- 25 Now, you claim that you didn't sell any drugs before Silk

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1 Road, right, before you sold on Silk Road, correct?

- A. That's correct.
- Q. But you were arrested in 2008 for possession with intent to distribute drugs, right?
- A. That was the charge at the time. That's correct.
- Q. And you pled guilty to a felony in that regard, correct?
- A. Yes, I did.

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- So you went to jail ultimately, too, for that, correct? 1
- Α. 2 Yes, I did.
- 3 And, in fact, that's where you detoxed, correct?
- 4 That's correct. Α.
- 5 Q. You also told -- well, this -- you also had a DUI in 1993,
- 6 right?
- 7 Yes, I did. Α.
- And was that from sports injury pain? 8
- 9 Α. The DUI?
- 10 Q. Yeah.
- 11 Α. No.
- 12 Q. And then in 1997 you had a misdemeanor conviction for
- 13 possession of drugs, right?
- 14 A. I don't recall that.
- 15 Q. I show you what's marked as 3514-14. Look at the first
- 16 highlighted one.
- 17 1997, right, possession of drugs?
- 18 Α. Ah, yes.
- Q. You told the government in an interview that you didn't 19
- 20 begin using drugs until 2007/2008, right?
- 21 A. No, that's not correct.
- 22 Q. Well, do you still have -- do you still have 3514-10?
- 23 You met with the government, again, in October of
- 24 2014, correct?
- 25 A. Yes, I did.

- Did you not tell the government that you first became a 1 drug user in approximately 2007 or 2008? Did you not tell the 2 3 government that?
  - My first drug use was at an earlier --Α.
- 5 That's not the question. The question is didn't you tell 6 the government in that meeting that you didn't become a drug
- 7 user until 2007 or 2008?
- I told them that I did become a drug user in 2007/2008 but 8 9 that was not the first time that I was a drug user.
- 10 Is that a technicality? 0.
- 11 MR. TURNER: Objection to form.
- 12 THE COURT: Why don't you rephrase it.
- 13 You told the government you became a drug user in 2007, in
- 14 2008, correct?
- 15 Α. Yes, I did.
- So you really became a drug user well before that, right? 16
- 17 My first drug use is prior to that.
- 18 So that was a lie you told the government, right?
- No, it wasn't. 19 Α.
- 20 0. No, OK.
- 21 You told them 2007/2008 -- when did you first start as 22 a drug user?
- 23 I probably used alcohol for the first time when I was 16.
- 24 0. OK. What about other types of drugs?
- 25 Marijuana probably when I was 18.

- 1 | Q. And what year was that?
- 2 A. 1992.
- 3  $\parallel$  Q. So then 16 years before 2007 -- it was 15 or 16 years
- 4 | before 2007/2008, right?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. So when you say you became a drug user, you didn't include
- 7 | the part from 1992 to 2007?
- 8 | A. Sure, I did. I mentioned that at the time.
- 9 Q. Look at that again.
- 10 | A. Mm-hmm.
- 11 Q. You told the government it was 2007/2008 is when you became
- 12 | a drug user.
- 13 A. That's what it says here, that's correct.
- 14 THE COURT: The question is does that refresh your
- 15 | recollection that you said that?
- 16 | THE WITNESS: It does not because my first drug use
- 17 was prior to that.
- 18 MR. DRATEL: That wasn't my question, your Honor. It
- 19 was not a refresh your recollection.
- 20 | Q. It was: Didn't you tell the government that?
- 21 A. No, I did not.
- 22 | Q. You just said before that you did, right?
- 23 A. My first drug use was prior to 2007 --
- 24 Q. No, that is the not question.
- 25 | THE COURT: You've got to let him finish and then you

- can ask him your question. 1
- The record will be what the record will be about what you 2
- 3 just said five minutes ago, right, where you said, yes, I told
- the government I became a drug user in 2007, 2008. 4
  - You said that five minutes ago, right?
- 6 I became a drug user and first became a drug user are
- 7 different. There are distinctions.
- Q. Became a drug user and first became, that is the 8
- 9 technicality you are going to rely on?
- 10 No. You are asking, you said became a drug user or first
- 11 became a drug user.
- You think there is a difference in that question? 12
- 13 I think there was a period of abstinence in between. Α.
- 14 Wait. You think there is a difference in that question? Q.
- THE COURT: Hold on. Let him finish. 15
- Do you think there is a difference between those two 16
- 17 questions?
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do. First becoming a drug user
- and reengaging in drug use --19
- 20 The word is "become," not "reengage." O. No.
- 21 THE COURT: Hold on. Let him finish and then you are
- 22 going to ask another question.
- 23 Go ahead. Mr. Duch, you may finish.
- 24 My first drug use is prior to 2007/2008, as I mentioned,
- probable about 1992 for marijuana use. There was quite a 25

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- period of abstinence, and I did reengage in drug use in the years of 2007 and 2008.
  - Q. But you didn't tell them "reengage," you said became a drug user in 2007/2008, right?
    - MR. TURNER: Objection, your Honor.
- 6 THE COURT: I will allow this last one and --
  - Q. You didn't use that term, right, "reengage"?
  - A. I'm not sure what term I used at the time.
  - Q. Now, you claimed on direct that you started using pain killers first because of sports injuries, right?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. Didn't you tell the government, though, in October of 2014
- 13 | that it was because of Lyme disease?
- 14 A. That was the reason why I was represcribed pain killers was
- 15 because of Lyme's disease, that's correct.
- 16 Q. And then when the doctor found out that you had used heroin
- before, he refused to write you any more prescriptions for
- 18 | OxyContin, right?
- 19 A. I believe that the course of antibiotics, the treatment was
- 20 successful and I no longer required the pain killers. And I
- 21 also did reengage in heroin use.
- Q. OK. That was fine but except it wasn't the actual
- 23 | question.
- The question was didn't the doctor halt your OxyContin
- 25 or your oxycodone prescription because he found out you were

- 1 doing heroin?
- $2 \parallel A$ . That was one of the reasons, yes.
- 3 | Q. And that was one of the reasons that you went back on
- 4 heroin more severely, right, because you couldn't get the
- 5 | OxyContin any more, right?
- 6 A. Because it became too expensive, that's correct.
- 7 \| Q. To buy in the street?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. Yeah. So it was the doctor's fault that you went back on
- 10 heroin, right?
- 11 A. Absolutely not. It's my fault.
- 12 | Q. Now, you took various security measures, correct?
- 13 A. Regarding what?
- 14 Q. Regarding Silk Road.
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Regarding your online drug sales, right?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. And in that seller's contract that we saw, it says,
- 19 "Security is of paramount importance," right?
- 20 A. Of course.
- 21 | Q. And you used a different buyer's account from your
- 22 | seller's -- withdrawn.
- 23 You created a different seller's account than your
- 24 buyer's account, correct?
- 25 A. Yes, I did.

- 1 Q. And that was a security measure, correct?
- 2 A. That's one of the security measures that the Silk Road
- 3 website advised people to do.
- 4 | Q. Right. And you did that?
- 5 A. Yes, I did.
- 6 Q. And one of the things that you did that some other people
- 7 | didn't do on Silk Road was you didn't even put up photos,
- 8 | right?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. Because you knew from your computer background and your
- 11 | security background that there is metadata in those, right?
- 12 | A. That's correct.
- 13 | Q. And so metadata can be of significant use in terms of
- 14 | tracking, right?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. And you wanted to eliminate that so you eliminated the
- 17 | metadata, right?
- 18 | A. Yes, I did.
- 19 | Q. And you also down the road instituted limits or conditions
- 20 | for customers, right?
- 21 A. Over a period of time, yes.
- 22 | Q. And one of those reasons was because you were concerned
- 23 about who your customers were, right?
- 24 A. Potentially, yes.
- 25 | Q. By the way, your technical background made it easier for

- you to operate on Silk Road, correct? 1
- I don't think it made it easier. I don't think that there 2 Α.
- 3 was any level of complexity required to engage in Silk Road
- 4 activity.
- 5 Q. In that October 14th meeting with the government, didn't
- you say that your technical background made it easier to 6
- 7 operate on Silk Road?
- I did not. 8 Α.
- 9 Q. You did not tell the government that it was easier to learn
- 10 and operate on Silk Road due to your familiarity with the
- 11 technologies associated with it?
- 12 The only technologies that were required is that you use a
- 13 Google search.
- 14 Q. That was not my question.
- 15 My question is -- use a Google search? You can find
- Silk Road on a Google search? 16
- 17 Absolutely. Α.
- 18 You can get to the Silk Road website on a Google search?
- You can find out the URL, that's correct. 19 Α.
- 20 But don't you have to get on Tor, though, too? 0.
- 21 Α. Sure.
- 22 And you knew Tor already, right? You were familiar with
- 23 Tor?
- 24 I was familiar with it, yes. Α.
- 25 Did you not tell the government October 14, 2014, which is

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- about three-and-a-half months ago, it was easier for you to 1
- learn to operate on Silk Road due to your familiarity with the 2
- 3 technologies associated with it? Did you not tell the
- 4 government that?
- 5 A. Not for the technologies associated with Silk Road.
- 6 Perhaps things like encryption which helps provide
- 7 confidentiality of data.
  - So you did tell them that?
- 9 Tell them what? Α.
- 10 What you just said. I'm asking a guestion --Ο.
- 11 THE COURT: Hold on. Let me just say, why don't you
- 12 rephrase the question.
- 13 BY MR. DRATEL:
- 14 Q. You didn't answer the specific question so I will ask it
- 15 again.

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- Did you not tell the government October 14, 2014 that 16
- 17 it was easier for you to learn to operate on Silk Road due to
- 18 your familiarity with the technologies associated with it?
- 19 A. Not to operate with the technologies associated with Silk
- 20 Road but to --
- 21 Didn't you tell the government that?
- 22 Α. No, I did not.
- 23 OK. Now, explain what you say when you say what
- 24 technologies enabled you to operate --
- 25 I think to potentially ensure that there were additional

- security measures, like recommending encryption, as well as 1
- helping other users of Silk Road in the implementation of 2
- 3 encryption. That was something that my technical background
- allowed me to at least help other people with and implement it 4
- 5 with my use of Silk Road.
- 6 Q. Now, you talked about your security measures, and you said
- 7 potentially you were concerned about who your customers might
- 8 be, right?
- 9 Α. Sure.
- 10 They might be law enforcement, right?
- 11 Α. It's very possible.
- 12 And because when you're on the computer, you're never quite
- 13 sure who is on the other side of a transaction or a
- 14 conversation, right?
- 15 Α. That's correct.
- MR. DRATEL: Nothing further, your Honor. Thank you. 16
- 17 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
- 18 Mr. Turner, anything further from you?
- 19 MR. TURNER: Yes, your Honor.
- 20 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MR. TURNER:
- 22 Q. You were asked on cross about an arrest you had in the past
- 23 for possession with the intent to distribute drugs, is that
- 24 right?
- 25 That's right. Α.

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- Q. Were you convicted for possession with intent to distribute drugs or were you convicted for something else?
- A. I was convicted -- I was not convicted of possession with intent to distribute. I was convicted of failure to turn over
  - a controlled dangerous substance to law enforcement.
- 6 Q. So it was a possession offense, not a distribution offense?
  - A. Essentially a possession offense.
- 8 Q. Did you ever deal drugs before you dealt drugs on Silk
- 9 Road?

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- 10  $\parallel$  A. I never have.
- 11 Q. You were asked about encryption. I just want to clarify.
- 12 At some point while you were dealing on Silk Road, did
  13 you start requiring your customers to encrypt their messages to
- 14 you?
- 15 | A. Yes, I did, all their messages as well as their addresses.
- 16 Q. Even though they were sending it, the messages to you on
- 17 | Silk Road?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 | Q. You wanted them to encrypt their messages further?
- 20 A. Within Silk Road, that's correct.
- 21 | Q. Because you were worried about law enforcement?
- 22 | A. Yes, I was.
- 23 | Q. But it wasn't necessary -- that wasn't required to deal on
- 24 | Silk Road, right?
- 25 A. It was not required. It was something that I implemented.

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- MR. TURNER: That's all, your Honor. 1
- THE COURT: All right. Thank you. 2
- 3 Mr. Dratel, anything further from you?
- 4 RECROSS-EXAMINATION
- BY MR. DRATEL: 5
- Q. What were the facts of that arrest? In other words, what 6
- 7 drug did you have that you were caught in possession of back in
- two-thousand and -- in that arrest 2008? 8
- 9 I believe it was heroin.
- 10 So you were allowed to plead to a lesser offense, correct,
- 11 of not turning over heroin to law enforcement authorities,
- 12 right?
- 13 That was -- the plea agreement was for a possession charge. Α.
- 14 Right. But how much heroin did you have on you when you Q.
- 15 were arrested that you were charged with a felony?
- I believe it was about 35 bags of heroin. 16
- 17 And you weren't selling any of that?
- 18 Α. None of it.
- MR. DRATEL: Nothing further, your Honor. 19
- 20 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
- MR. TURNER: Very briefly, your Honor. 21
- 22 THE COURT: All right.
- 23 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 24 BY MR. TURNER:

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35 bags, you mean 35 glassines?

- F1tdulb2 Duch - further redirect That's correct. 35 individual glassine bags. 1 2 How many bags were you using a day, approximately, at that point? 3 4 A. Probably about that. MR. TURNER: Nothing further. 5 6 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. You may step down, 7 Mr. Duch. 8 (Witness excused) 9 THE COURT: Would the government like to call its next 10 witness? 11 MR. HOWARD: Yes. But before we do that, I want to 12 read one chat log. 13 THE COURT: All right. 14 MR. HOWARD: The witness is actually here. He is the 15 case agent. 16 THE COURT: Right. All right. 17 MR. HOWARD: Ms. Rosen, could you please publish 18 Government Exhibit 226B, please. THE COURT: B, as in boy? 19 20 MR. HOWARD: That's correct. 21 This is from page 211 of a 1096-page chat log from 22 December 28, 2011.
  - "myself: anyway, this will be a good measure to see how the new policies are affecting things

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"vj: yeah - gotta get a solid handle on the old

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metrics so that some real time comparisons can be made. But I think that presented properly the new commish structure will be greeted with open arms. Now - what happens when someone goes ooe in 60 days from now? "myself: account is terminated. There will be a big warning in the seller's quide. Safe goes for getting customers to finalize early. No more working the system "vj: do they get a warning? And do we offer a bounty? Or is that too rat like? "myself: No bounty, don't need it. We can search the pms and listings "vj: then how do you know if there is an ooe going on? "ahh - but you can't say you search the pms, and smart cookies will pgp that shit. About 1/2 my clients use pgp all the time in pm's. Seed buyers are a paranoid bunch. Just food for thought.

"myself: ok, yea a bounty is a good idea, why not be part of the scam prevention team :)

"vj: doesn't have to be official, just kinda let it be known that if a vendor insists or asks for ooe, let a mod know, we'll tip ya for your efforts - after all, why should the oflks that pay subsidize the freeloaders

"yeah - make it so ooe is seen as a scam, through and
through."

The next part starts on page 273 to 274 of the 1,096

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page chat log on January 9, 2012.
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      customers to pay outside of escrow, or are used for any purpose
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               THE COURT: All right. Mr. D'Agostino.
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               THE CLERK: Please raise your right hand.
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       VINCENT D'AGOSTINO,
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THE CLERK: Please state your full name and spell your last name for the record.

THE WITNESS: Sure. First name Vincent. Last name is D'Agostino, D-'-A-g-o-s-t-i-n-o.

THE CLERK: Thank you.

THE COURT: And Special Agent D'Agostino, you've heard me give the instructions to folks. Make sure you adjust the microphone so that you could speak clearly into it. There is water there. Although is that your cup or somebody else's cup?

THE WITNESS: That's OK. I'm super hydrated.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Howard, you may proceed,

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- 13 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. HOWARD:
- 15 Q. Good morning, Special Agent D'Agostino.
- 16 A. Good morning, Mr. Howard.
- 17 Q. And who do you work for?
- 18 A. The FBI.
- 19 Q. And how long have you worked at the FBI?
- 20 A. A little over ten years.
- 21 | Q. What is your position?
- 22 A. Special Agent.
- 23 | Q. Where are you based?
- 24 A. Manhattan, 26 Federal Plaza.
- 25 Q. And are you assigned to a particular squad?

- 1 | A. I am.
- 2 | Q. And what squad is that?
- 3 A. The Cyber Crime Squad, Squad CY2.
- 4 | Q. What are your responsibilities as a cyber special agent?
- 5 A. Part of my responsibilities are to investigate any
- 6 | violations of federal law as they relate to computer crimes.
- 7 | So you conduct surveillance, interviews, interrogations,
- 8 | forensic analysis, do search warrants, arrests, and testify.
- 9 Q. In the course of your responsibilities as an FBI agent on
- 10 | the cyber squad, have you analyzed and reviewed malware?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. What is malware?
- 13 A. Malware is short for malicious software. What it is, it's
- 14 | basically bad programs that end up on people's computers that
- 15 | are designed to steal sensitive information or give control of
- 16 your computer to somebody else.
- 17 | Q. What other terms are commonly used to refer to malware?
- 18 A. Like adware, spyware. Other types of malware -- worms,
- 19 | Trojans, viruses. Those are all types of malware, which is a
- 20 very generic term.
- 21 | Q. Now, have you reviewed malware purchased from Silk Road as
- 22 part of your investigation?
- 23 | A. I have.
- MR. HOWARD: Now, Ms. Rosen, could you please publish
- 25 Government Exhibit 340A, which is already in evidence.

- Special Agent D'Agostino, do you recognize what Government 1
- Exhibit 340A is? 2
- 3 A. Yes, I do.
- 4 And what is it? Q.
- 5 A. It's a receipt from a purchase of several packages of
- 6 malware that was given to me by Special Agent Gary Alford from
- 7 the IRS.
- MR. HOWARD: So, Ms. Rosen, could we just zoom in on 8 9 the top section of this. Right here.
- 10 Q. Here it says "downers4u." Was that the undercover account
- 11 that was used to purchase the malware?
- 12 A. Yes, it was.
- 13 Q. Here it says: "From: Sniffsniff. HUGE hacking Pack
- \*\*150+ HACKING TOOLS&PROGRAMS." 14
- 15 A. Correct.
- Is that the listing that was purchased? 16
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 MR. HOWARD: Will you zoom back out, please,
- Ms. Rosen? 19
- 20 THE COURT: I think -- I'm sorry. Go ahead. I
- 21 thought something had gotten missed. It didn't.
- 22 Continue.
- 23 BY MR. HOWARD:
- 24 Q. Could we zoom in on this section, please.
- 25 And so what is this section of this document?

- A. So since the purchase was made for software, these are
  links that will give you access to download that software that
  you purchased. So the top three being the ones you actually
  paid for and then the lower six or so being the freebies that
  - Q. Now, after this was provided to you by Special Agent Alford, did you test any of the links that were provided by the Silk Road vendor?
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are thrown in as extras.

- 11 I tested the first three links and all three links were 12 So you can take any one of those three and drop them 13 into a browser, like Internet Explorer or Mozilla and it will 14 take you to a page where you can download the associated file, 15 which you can see -- like on the first link, for example, the file name is actually huge underscore hacking underscore pack 16 17 dot rar, and that's the file that will be delivered to your 18 computer.
  - Q. Special Agent D'Agostino, you said you put these in a browser. Are you referring to a Tor browser or a regular browser?
  - A. Just a regular browser.
- Q. Could you please flip in your binder to what's been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 1100.
- 25 A. OK.

- 1 Do you recognize what this is?
- 2 Α. I do.
- 3 And what is this? Ο.
- 4 It's a screen capture of the download page for one of the
- 5 files that I downloaded.
- 6 Did you take this screenshot? 0.
- 7 Yes, I did. Α.
- MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit 8
- 9 1100.
- 10 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 11 THE COURT: Received.
- (Government's Exhibit 1100 received in evidence) 12
- 13 MR. HOWARD: So could we just zoom in on the center
- 14 area here.
- 15 Q. Special Agent D'Agostino, what is depicted here?
- A. So this is showing you the file you're about to download, 16
- 17 which is called pack pound sign or I guess hash tag number
- 18 2.rar, and the file size, which is 2.37 gigabytes. It is a
- large file. If you click "download to your computer," the 19
- 20 download begins.
- 21 Now, did you in fact download the malware?
- 22 Α. I did.
- 23 Can you please flip in your binder to what has been marked
- 24 as Government Exhibit 1101.
- 25 OK. Α.

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- 1 Q. By the way, did you take any precautions before you
- 2 downloaded this malware?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And what did you do?
- 5 A. I would use a new machine that's disconnected from anything
- 6 else, not on a network, to avoid infecting that machine and
- 7 then inadvertently infecting other machines. So it is done in
- 8 what is called a sandbox.
- 9 Q. Could you please take a look at 1101, please?
- 10 | A. Sure.
- 11 | Q. Do you recognize this exhibit?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- 13 | O. And what is this?
- 14 A. It's a screen capture I took of the contents, or some of
- 15 | the contents of that file that I downloaded.
- 16 | Q. Did you take this screenshot?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 19 1101.
- 20 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 21 THE COURT: Received.
- 22 | (Government's Exhibit 1101 received in evidence)
- 23 BY MR. HOWARD:
- 24 | Q. So, Special Agent D'Agostino, can you walk us through
- 25 | what's depicted hire?

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A. So the file itself comes in a container or a compressed package. So rather than having to download hundreds of separate files, what they do is it is compressed into one file called pack#2.rar. Within that file is all the files that you see below. It is actually — these are just some of them.

This is number 1 through D in alphabetical order. So these

files are contained within that file that I downloaded.

- And they are organized by category. So you'll see different piece of malware that are labeled by their brand name, like Blackshades. You'll see some of these are organized by what they do, like Booters, Botnet, Brute Forcers, Chat Exploits, Anonymity, Admin Page Tools.
- Q. Can you just be explain a couple of these? Do you know what a brute forcer is?
- A. Sure. So a brute forcer would be if we're going to obtain someone's file that is password protected and you wanted to gain access to that file, you can brute force attack it with lists of predetermined password combinations. So a program will basically take a file that presumably you are not supposed to have access to and run passwords against it until it figures out what that is.
- Q. Here's one right above Brute Force that says Botnet.
- 23 | A. Sure.
- 24 | Q. Do you know what a botnet is?
- 25 A. Yes. A botnet is when your computer gets infected with bot

- software that turns your computer into essentially a slave, and then a bot master can control that computer and tell it what to do. So it can tell it to attack another computer so that if it were to be investigated all the information would be back to your computer, as opposed to the person who is really behind it
  - Q. Are you familiar with what Blackshades is?
- 8 | A. Yes.

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- 0. What is it?
- 10 A. Blackshades is a RAT, which depending on who you ask can
  11 stand for remote administration tool or remote access tool.

who is controlling it from two or three steps removed.

- 12 What it was was a hugely popular piece of software that people
- 13 could download from a website that would -- they could
- 14 customize and deploy on a victim's machine, which would give
- 15 | them access to their Web camera, their hard drive contents.
- 16 They could open and close a CD-ROM tray. They could move the
- mouse around. And that was a very, very popular piece of
- 18 | software for a long time.
- MR. HOWARD: Ms. Rosen, could we please slide down to
- 20 the bottom half of this screen, please.
- 21  $\square$  Q. Here there is one that is he a called DDos, D-D-O-S.
- 22 | A. Right.
- 23 | Q. Do you know what that is?
- 24 A. Yeah. That stands for distributed denial of service
- 25 attacks. So what that is is there is software contained within

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that folder that would allow you to attack an IP address or website, let's say, and flood it with traffic to the point where the site will actually go down and be inaccessible.

MR. HOWARD: Now, Ms. Rosen, could we go to the second page of this exhibit, please. And let's zoom in on the bottom half of this screen.

- Q. Special Agent D'Agostino, this is just more folders in the same package you downloaded, correct?
- A. Correct. It is the next series in alphabetical order from I guess H to P.
  - So here there is one called password stealers. Do you know what that contains?
  - It is software specifically designed to put on Α. Yes. someone's computer so that every time the victim would enter in a username and password, it would collect that data and either send it to a separate file that you would collect later physically, or it could send that file out remotely over the Internet to the owner of the program.
    - And the last one I'll go over is keyloggers up here, which is highlighted in gray. What is that?
    - Keyloggers are probably some of the most popular forms of malware. They are what they say they are. They actually record every keystroke on your computer. So as you're operating your machine, you're typing in emails, passwords, business documents, there is a program running in the

- 1 | background that you are unaware of that is copying every letter
- 2 down and that will send that data to the person who infected
- 3 | your machine to do with what they want.
- 4 | Q. Now, did you test any of the malware that was included in
- 5 this hacking pack?
- 6 | A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. And generally what did you discover?
- 8 A. The software did what it promised to do according to
- 9 | category. Almost all the software in here was -- worked very
- 10 | well in a Windows-based operating system.
- 11 | Q. To be clear, did you test all of the software or just did
- 12 you select some of them?
- 13 A. No, I did not test all of it.
- 14 | Q. Now, focusing on keyloggers, did you test any keylogger?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Was that the program called syslogger?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 | Q. Can you please flip in your binder to what's been marked
- 19 | for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 1102, please?
- 20 | A. OK.
- 21 | Q. Do you recognize what this is?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | O. What is this?
- 24 A. It's a screen capture that I took of the syslogger program,
- 25 | the front page when you run that actual program.

- Q. Did you take this screenshot?
- A. Yes.
- 3 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit
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- 5 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 6 THE COURT: Received.
- 7 (Government's Exhibit 1102 received in evidence)
- 8 MR. HOWARD: And could we just zoom in on this window
- 9 here.
- 10 Q. So Special Agent D'Agostino, this is the window that pops
- 11 | up when you open the program?
- 12 A. Correct.
- MR. HOWARD: May I approach the witness, your Honor?
- 14 THE COURT: You may.
- 15 | Q. I just handed you what's been marked for identification
- 16 purposes as Government Exhibit 1103. Do you recognize this
- 17 | exhibit?
- 18 | A. I do.
- 19 Q. And what is this exhibit?
- 20 | A. It's a CD containing a demonstrative video that I created,
- 21 which also has my initials on the CD.
- 22 | Q. Would this video aid your testimony today?
- 23 A. Absolutely.
- 24 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 25 | 1103 for demonstrative purposes.

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THE COURT: Received.

(Government's Exhibit 1103 received in evidence)

MR. HOWARD: May I approach the witness, your Honor?

THE COURT: You may.

Special Agent D'Agostino, can you just please explain what is being depicted in the video as it is being played?

Sure. So we're starting out on what would be the buyer's machine. It is a clean installation of Windows, and I'm running the keylogger program, which is called "Syslogger Builder."

Can you pause it for a second.

And so when you run the program, after you were to purchase the software, you download it, you execute the file, and this is the page that comes up. And this is what I would call a build a malware screen. So this screen allows you to design your piece of malware to whatever you want it to do. is very, very customizable.

So on the top right, you can see under "Specifications," the default setting is to send the data over SMTP. What this means is that you are going to put in an email address in here on the top right, and that is where all the stolen data from the victim's machine is going to be sent to.

- Are you referring to this part of the window?
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THE COURT: What does the word "execute" mean? 1 THE WITNESS: Execute is just a fancy word for like 2 3 running a program. So when you execute that file you are just running it. You just double click on the file. 4 BY MR. HOWARD: 5 6 Do you mind using your laser pointer to point out there the 7 screen you are talking about? So that is where you would enter in the email address of 8 9 where -- once this software is installed on victim's machine, 10 that's where it is going to send all of the stolen date to. So I created a fictitious account for demonstrative purposes. 11 12 You could hit play. 13 So that's the Gmail account I created. And what's 14 nice about this interface, it will allow you to test the settings. So you click "test mail," it actually goes through 15 and sends a test email to make sure that you had entered in the 16 17 password correctly. So now on the left side here, you can go through and 18 19

So now on the left side here, you can go through and select what you want the program to do. And so there's things like Antis is the first option, Stealers, Delete Cookies, Block anti-virus Sites, Melt, Mutex, Startup.

You can pause it for a second.

And what those allow you to do, like there is also Screen Logger. So you could tell it, for example, you want this software to, once it builds it, to be able to avoid being

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detected by antivirus software like, you know, Kaspersky or

Norton antivirus or BitDefender. So you check that box, which

makes the program build in such a way that when it gets sent to

the victim's machine, their antivirus will never catch it.

You also have stealers so that will look for anytime a password is entered into a browser to log into Gmail or Yahoo!, that will specifically pull that information out for you.

Block antivirus sites, that will prevent the victim from going to an online antivirus site to clean their machine. So if they begin to suspect something's up, they can go antivirus.com. They run a scan. Only this will actually block certain sites like that from ever appearing.

And then screen loggers. Screen loggers, the program will take an actual screen capture of what your computer's doing at whatever interval you set. So that screen capture will look very much like what you are looking at on that monitor right now.

And, finally, where it says "enable error," here you can customize it so that once it's installed successfully, you can make a message pop up on the victim's machine and say anything you want. The default setting is so that it posts a message saying that the program never installed correctly, thereby giving the victim a false sense of comfort that, oh, whatever this was never actually installed. So for the purposes of this demonstration, I just added in a generic

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message, I believe.

2 You can hit play.

So the default error message says the application failed to initialize properly. And I added "please double click and try again," which would cause the person to rerun the malware again to make sure it installed properly. So that's what the message allows you to see, what it would look like. So I clicked "Test Error" and that's what pops up.

Then on the bottom right here, I am setting the interval. I set it extremely low as to alert me every minute. So every minute it is going to send me data that it's stealing. Ideally, you probably wouldn't want it that often but for the purposes of the demonstration.

So then -- pause it for a second.

So once you select the options you want, then you click on build, which is "Build Server," which is that button right there. And then it makes an executable file, a file that's runnable that now does the things that you just set it to do. So I quickly saved the file. I think I called it "badfile" initially. And now the next step is to put it in a package so that I could deliver it to a victim's machine, which you'll see in the next video.

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So there's the "bad file" that I created. That's the actual malware.

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- Q. Special Agent D'Agostino, that was customized with all the features you selected?
  - A. Exactly. It will only do the things that I told it to do and nothing more, nothing less based on those features that I selected.

So since nobody would open bad file.exe, I named it cute dogs, because everybody would open cute dogs.exe -- at least I would. What I'm doing now is putting the file in a container much like when I originally downloaded the malware so that it will slip pass Gmail virus scans. There is a lot of different ways to do this. This is the most simple way for purposes of the demonstration. And what this does is this hides what it actually is within a container. So when it's emailed out, most of the time your email will catch simple viruses and malware. By doing it this way it will pass right through.

So now I'm sending the attachment to another created email address up here.

- Q. The name of the account is victimuser2626?
- A. Yes.
- 0. You created that account for this demonstration?
- 22 | A. Yes, something to entice the person to open it.
- Q. So here you're delivering the malware by email. Are there other ways to deliver the malware?
  - A. Yes. The most common is via email or through an actual

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- website. But physical access to the machine we're seeing more and more where people will -- you'll have a friend or family member that's, you know, into computers and you'll have him come over to fix something and they'll actually bring a thumb drive and drop the file onto your machine without you knowing. But, still, the most common is by email.
- Q. Now you are attaching the malware?
- A. Yes. You attach the file, and it should get through the scan because it's in a compressed format and now it's sent. So there's the sent email confirming it went out.
- So now this is the victim's machine. This is another clean installation of Windows 7, 64-bit. The victim then would log on to their Yahoo!
- Q. Now, to be clear, the video depicts a different computer?
- A. This is a completely different computer.
  - So there's the email that was sent by the user of the malware with the irresistible attachment, which will be opened now.
  - So I'm saving the file to the desk-top, and I am going to open that container.
  - I am putting in the password that was sent with the file. In a normal circumstance, you wouldn't have password protection on it but.
  - So now the file is being dragged to the desk-top and the user, the victim, will run the file, or execute the file.

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So it is just a double click.

And so you'll see the little busy -- you know, the computer's working. But other than that, there is no indication of what's going on.

Then it just sort of, the busy signal, the icon went away, and the user -- the victim is left wondering, you know, what the deal is.

know that the malware was actually install successfully. So that is the error message I created in an earlier step, which prompts the user to double click the file, which -- if you want to pause it for a second. One of the neat features about this type of keylogger is it has a melt function. So once it is installed, if you guys noticed, the file actually disappeared; it has been deleted. And that's to remove traces of itself on that machine. So in order for me to rerun it, I actually have to open the container again, extract it again, and rerun it, which I think is what I do here.

You can hit play, please.

- Q. Special Agent D'Agostino, melt is of the options that you selected from the control panel, right?
- A. Yes.

So now the user's machine is infected. So from this point forward everything they're doing is being logged. So for the purposes of the video, I attempt to visit several different

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sites, entering in data, login data, to see if it's actually working. So, again, I'm attempting to log into the victim's Yahoo! account. You'll notice the password was entered in incorrectly the first time and you'll see that in a minute. Spoiler alert. So I'm into the email account.

So now I'm just going to other sites. I think eHarmony was the first site I went to. The second site I went to is Gmail.com, and then I went to Facebook.

Now I'm just doing a Bing search.

- Ο. What is Bing?
- It's a search engine, believe it or not, just like Google. So just generic photos.

So now what I'm going to do is I'm going to switch back over to the malware virus machine. So if things worked well, and I think they did, you're going to see those emails populating the in box with all the data that I preselected to be stolen. So there it is. So you could see initially -- if you want to pause it here -- this is from the moment it was infected, it starts telling you everything that was done. And so since I ran the program -- when you initially run the program, the first thing that comes up is the D'Agostino fake error message. It shows you that there was a Yahoo! message that was being viewed. It tells you what's in the person's -under their start menu, what programs are installed on their program manager, so WinRAR. And they're right here. The first

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time I executed -- the second time I opened that file, I had to enter into a password of 1234 and it actually captured that.

And it shows you some of the other functions that we are running.

You can hit play now.

So you can see on the right side that these messages were coming in about every minute. This is the first screen grabber, screen capture.

So once it was infected, the first thing it did was it took a screen capture of the desk-top as it appeared. So any icons you would have on your desk-top, now the person who infected your machine would know what folders, what files were there.

You can see here it also is showing you I went to Internet Explorer, I was on the MSN site. No logs yet for that. You could see here I went to Yahoo! login. It logged that. I visited that site.

This would grab what's in your clipboard when you do a copy and paste. I had nothing in there so there is nothing to report.

Here is the second or third screen grab, which is when I went to the Yahoo! site.

And so here -- if you want to pause it for a second -- when I went to -- I jumped from Yahoo!, which is the first entry, then I went to eHarmony, and then I entered in my

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credentials for eHarmony so it was victimuser2626. I hit the tab button, which actually logs the keystroke with the tab button, and then I wrote "this is my" messed up the spelling and I actually hit backspace, which records that, and "password." So I was attempting to write in "this is my password, " and it captured not only "this is my password" but me backspacing when I hit the wrong button.

- To be clear, by "credentials," you mean username and password, correct?
- Α. Yes.

Hit play, please.

So here's another screen capture of the Yahoo! page after I logged in successfully.

So here's when I went to the Gmail site and typed in my username and password, which also captured right over here.

What is effective about keyloggers like this is that if the person were to change their password on their machine, no matter how many times they did it, the purchaser of the software would always know the new password because they would receive these updates continuously.

Here's the screen grab from the family photos Bing search that I did, which captured everything that was on the screen at the time.

I think that's it.

Thank you.

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1 MR. HOWARD: No further questions. 2 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. 3 Mr. Dratel. 4 MR. DRATEL: One moment, your Honor. 5 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. DRATEL: 6 7 Special Agent D'Agostino, when did you create the video? Α. Within the last week or so. 8 9 MR. DRATEL: Nothing further, your Honor. 10 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. 11 You may step down, sir. 12 (Witness excused) 13 MR. HOWARD: The government calls Mr. Ilhwan Yum. 14 THE COURT: Why don't we get Mr. Yum onto the stand, 15 but why don't we take our mid-morning break just before we have Mr. Yum come in. So even though we've only been going for an 16 17 hour and then we'll go until lunch. So, ladies and gentlemen, I want to remind you to 18 continue not to talk to each other or anybody else about this 19 20 Thank you very much. case. 21 And if you are using -- one more thing. If you are 22 using these breaks as an opportunity to check media or read the 23 newspaper or anything like that, I want to make sure I remind 24 you to avoid looking at any media. If you see anything that is

an article or otherwise references this case, you are to turn

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               MR. HOWARD: Not from the government, your Honor.
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               MR. DRATEL: No, your Honor.
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               THE COURT: All right. So let's just try to cabin it,
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Casse 3: 204-cv-070658-RBF Document 12026 Filled 020/25/125 Page 75 of 2892 F1tqulb3 Yum - direct (In open court; jury present) 1 2 THE COURT: We have called Mr. Yum to come to the 3 stand. Swear the witness. 4 5 (Witness sworn) 6 THE COURT: Mr. Yum. Please be seated, sir. And it 7 will be important for you to adjust your chair and microphone and speak clearly and directly into the mic. 8 9 Mr. Howard. 10 MR. HOWARD: Thank you. 11 ILHWAN YUM, 12 called as a witness by the Government, 13 having been duly sworn, testified as follows: 14 DIRECT EXAMINATION 15 BY MR. HOWARD: Good morning, Mr. Yum. 16 17 Good morning. Α. Where do you work? 18 Q. FTI Consulting, that's "T" as in technology. 19 Α. 20 And back in 2013, where did you work? Ο. 21 FBI, the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Α.

And back then, what was your position with the FBI?

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And where were you based?

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- 1 Q. Were you assigned to a particular squad at the time?
- 2 A. Yes. I was assigned to Squad CY2 which handled
- 3 cybercriminal intrusion matters.
- 4 | Q. And how long were you a member of that cybersquad?
- 5 A. About five and-a-half years.
- 6 Q. Now, while you were working as a cyberagent at the FBI, did
- 7 | you have any experience searching computer servers?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. What is a computer server?
- 10 | A. It's nothing different than a regular computer but it's
- 11 dedicated to run services online, services like web pages,
- 12 | email servers and anything else that you do online.
- 13 | Q. Approximately how many servers did you search during the
- 14 | course of your career as an FBI agent?
- 15 A. About 50 or more.
- 16 Q. Were you involved in the Silk Road investigation?
- 17 | A. Yes, I was.
- 18 MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish
- 19 Government Exhibit 264, which is already in evidence.
- 20 Q. Now, Mr. Yum, during your involvement in the Silk Road
- 21 | investigation, did you review files recovered from the
- 22 | defendant's laptop?
- 23 | A. Yes, I did.
- 24 | Q. Are you familiar with this file?
- 25 A. Yes, I am.

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- Q. What is this file generally?
- A. It appears to be a list of computer servers and details and descriptions about those computer servers.
  - MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can we zoom in on the top here, about halfway through the page.
  - Q. Here we have one that the alias is listed as gala, ggb; the notes column says backup and the IP address says 207.106.6.25.
    - Q. Are you familiar with that server?
- 9  $\mathbb{A}$ . Yes, I am.
- 10 | Q. And how are you familiar with that server?
- 11 A. I obtained a warrant to search and seize this server back 12 in September 2013.
- Q. Directing your attention to September 9 of 2013, were you
- 14 | involved in an execution of the search warrant on that server
- 15 on that date?
- 16 | A. Yes, I was.
- 17 | Q. Now, where was this server physically located?
- 18 A. The server was physically located at a data center that was
- 19 about 30 minutes in the suburbs of Philadelphia. Yes,
- 20 | Philadelphia.
- 21 | Q. And did you go to where it was physically located?
- 22 | A. Yes, I did.
- 23 Q. Now, what was the first thing you did after you arrived at
- 24 | the location where the server was located?
- 25 A. So, that day, I went to the data center with computer

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scientist Thomas Kiernan. And when we arrived there, it looks
like a warehouse but inside, it's clean. It has security
doors. We were greeted by the administrator of the data
warehouse, data center, and he -- I had called ahead and
prearranged so that he was expecting us. And then upon
identifying myself, he took us to the rack space where the

- Q. And what do you mean by "rack space"?
- A. It's a metal frame structure in a data center. It's metal-framed -- rows and rows of metal frames, and each one of those frames contains a bunch of computers that are mounted on to it.
  - Q. And what did you do after you arrived at the location at the rack space where the server was located?
  - A. First thing I did was I looked at the outside of the server to make sure I had the right server, and I noticed a sticker that was attached to it, which had the IP address, same thing here, 207.106.6.25, and I was assured that I had the right server that I was looking for.
  - Q. Could you flip to what's been marked for identification purpose in your binder as Government Exhibit 602.
  - A. I don't have a binder in front of me.
- 23 MR. HOWARD: May I approach.
- 24 THE COURT: Mr. Howard will have some binders for you.
- MR. HOWARD: Sorry about that.

- THE COURT: That's all right.
- 2 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- Q. Now, that you have the binder, could you please flip to
- 4 Government Exhibit 602.
- 5 A. Yes.

- 6 Q. Do you recognize Government Exhibit 602?
- 7 | A. Yes, I do.
  - Q. What is it?
- 9 A. It's the picture I took of the server on that date using my
  10 FBI Blackberry.
- 11 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 12 | Exhibit 602.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection, your Honor.
- 14 THE COURT: Received.
- 15 (Government's Exhibit 602 received in evidence)
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you actually leave 264
- 17 | on the top half of the screen and zoom into the same line we
- 18 were looking at, and then put 602 on the bottom of the screen,
- 19 please.
- 20 | Q. Mr. Yum, this sticker was what you just testified about
- 21 | with the description of the server?
- 22 | A. Yes, it is.
- 23 | Q. The IP address, the address that matched with what was
- 24 | listed on the defendant's -- the spreadsheet on the defendant's
- 25 | computer, correct?

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- 1 A. Correct.
- Q. And here it says ggb on the sticker. Is that also found on
- 3 | the spreadsheet that was located on the defendant's computer?
  - A. Yes, it is.

- Q. So after taking the photograph and confirming that this was
- 6 the right server, what did you do next?
- 7 A. So, the data center prepared a separate room for us.
- 8 | There's hundreds of computers in there, so with the fan noise
- 9 | is extremely loud to work in there. So we turned the computer
- 10 off and removed the hard drive from the computer and we took it
- 11 | to that designated work area where we began making a forensic
- 12 copy of the server.
- 13 | Q. And what did you do to make a forensic copy?
- 14 A. For this instance, we used a small device that's
- 15 preconfigured to make the job a lot easier for us, so this
- 16 device, what it does is, you plug in the hard drive that you
- 17 | want to copy, and it's preconfigured where it's
- 18 write-protected, it's read-only, so you can't alter anything on
- 19 the original hard drive. And on the other side, you plug in
- 20 another hard drive that you want to make the copy onto.
- 21 | Q. By the way, what do you mean by forensic copy?
- 22 | A. Forensic copy is an exact bit-by-bit copy of any data out
- 23 of a hard drive so that you have a true, accurate image of
- 24 anything that you want to copy.
- 25 | Q. Now, after you make the forensic copy, do you do anything

- to verify that it's an identical and accurate copy of the original server?
- A. Yes, I do. So in the forensic industry, we do hashing. In this case, we did MD5 Hash and a SHA1 hash. And basically it's
- 5 an algorithm that calculates through a massive set of data and
- 6 you get a simple -- it's not really simple -- it's a long
- 7 string but much simpler than the entire data that you're
- 8 | looking at. And it serves as a condensed fingerprint of what
- 9 you're looking at and it's a one-way algorithm. You can't
- 10 | alter it. The original always gives you the same value.
- 11 Q. So if one bit of data got changed during the copy process,
- 12 | what would have happened to the hash value?
- 13 A. So you get a different answer, different hash of the data
- 14 you calculated. So if you change anything, you get a different
- 15 hash value.
- 16 Q. And after you imaged -- made a forensic copy of this server
- 17 | located outside of Philadelphia, did you compare the hash
- 18 | values?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 Q. What did you discover?
- 21 A. I noted that the original hard drive hash and the copy that
- 22 | I made had the same hash value and they matched.
- 23 MR. HOWARD: May I approach.
- 24 THE COURT: You may.
- 25 | Q. So Mr. Yum, I just handed you what's been marked for

- identification purposes as Government Exhibit 604. Do you recognize what this is?
- 3 | A. Yes, I do.
- 4 | Q. And what is it?
- 5 A. It's the copy that I made of that server at the data 6 center.
- 7 | Q. How do you recognize it?
  - A. I recognize it by the labeling that's on the hard drive that we -- I made on the day the copy was made; and it also matches -- the serial number hard drive matches what I wrote
- down when I checked this batch -- checked this into FBI
- 12 evidence.

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- MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government

  Exhibit 604.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 16 THE COURT: Received.
- 17 (Government's Exhibit 604 received in evidence)
- Q. Mr. Yum, can you please flip in your binder to what's been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 604A.
- 20 Do you recognize what this is?
- 21 A. Yes, I do.
- 22 | Q. And what is this?
- A. It's the log file that gets generated when you used the device that makes the forensic copy.
- 25 | Q. Were you involved in generating this log file?

1 | A. Yes.

- 2 Q. And it's the log file for this server, Government
- 3 Exhibit 604?
  - A. Yes, it is.
- 5 MR. HOWARD: The government offers government
- 6 Exhibit 604A.
- 7 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 8 THE COURT: Received.
- 9 (Government's Exhibit 604A received in evidence)
- MR. HOWARD: Now, Mr. Evert, can we just zoom into
- 11 this section here.
- 12 Q. Briefly, Mr. Yum, here it says source hash SHA1 and MD5 and
- 13 to the right of SHA1 and MD5, there are these long string of
- 14 characters, numbers and letters.
- What are those?
- 16 A. Those are the corresponding hash values.
- 17 | Q. The hash values for what specifically?
- 18 A. Oh. For the server that came -- for the hard drive that
- 19 came out of the server.
- 20 Q. And then right below that, there's a verification hash,
- 21 SHA1, MD5 and again, long strings of numbers and letters to the
- 22 | right.
- 23 What does this represent?
- 24 A. So that's the hash value of the image, the copy that I
- 25 made.

- 1 | Q. And do they match?
- 2 A. Yes, they do.
- 3 | Q. What did you do with the forensic copy of the drive,
- 4 Government Exhibit 604, after you made the copy?
- 5 A. I brought it back to FBI New York and I checked it into
- 6 evidence.
- 7 Q. Now, had you been involved in a review of the contents of
- 8 | the server?
- 9 A. Yes, I had.
- 10 | Q. And generally, what have you found that server to contain?
- 11 A. Accurate to the description on the first spreadsheet that
- 12 | was displayed, it contained what appeared to be backup files of
- 13 | Silk Road Marketplace.
- MR. HOWARD: Now, Mr. Evert, could you please publish
- 15 Government Exhibit 264 again, the server spreadsheet, and focus
- 16 a little high real on the lines that begin with the words "BTC"
- 17 and "bora." Go halfway down.
- 18 | Q. Mr. Yum, here we have the top row says bora and it
- 19 | indicates an IP address of 193.107.86.49. Under the location
- 20 column it says Iceland. And in the notes column it says market
- 21 | backhand. Is that correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 | Q. And on the line under it, it says BTC in the left-most
- 24 column. The IP address is 193.107.86.34. The location is
- 25 | listed as Iceland. And the notes column says live wallets and

- 1 | in parentheses archive wallets. Correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 | Q. Are you familiar with these two servers which are labeled
- 4 | as being located in Iceland?
- 5 A. Yes, I am.
- 6 Q. How are you familiar with that?
- 7 A. Those are the two servers that I searched and
- 8 seized -- assisted in searching and seizing with the Iceland
- 9 police back in October of 2013.
- 10 Q. Was that on or about October 2, 2013?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. So taking you to October 2, 2013, what initiated the start
- of your seizure of these servers?
- 14 A. So, the plan was to wait for the team that's on-ground in
- 15 | San Francisco, the FBI arrest team, and wait for them to give
- 16 me a confirmation that the defendant has been arrested. The
- 17 | reason why we went with that tactic was we wanted to make sure
- 18 | if I touch -- if I altered anything on these servers prior to
- 19 defendant being arrested, I was afraid that it was going to tip
- 20 off that there was some kind of law enforcement action.
- 21 | Q. So where were these servers physically located?
- 22 | THE COURT: Which servers are you talking about?
- 23 | O. We're both -- were these servers located in different
- 24 | locations or were they in the same facility?
- 25 A. The same facility.

1 THE COURT: These are the Iceland servers?

MR. HOWARD: Yes. 2

- And where in Iceland was it located?
- 4 It was, again, hosted or located at a data center in
- 5 Iceland.

- 6 Did you go to the facility?
- 7 Yes, I did. Α.
- What was the first thing you did after you arrived at the 8
- 9 facility where these two servers were located?
- 10 So, we arrived at the data center with Icelandic police
- 11 officers. And, again, we were greeted by the data center
- 12 administrator and he was notified by the Icelandic police that
- 13 we were on our way. So when we identified ourselves, he took
- 14 us to the location, the server rack location where the servers
- 15 were found in the data center.
- Which server did you go to first? 16
- 17 The first one we seized was the market backhand up there.
- It's listed as IP address 193.107.86.49. 18
- Q. Now, once you arrived at where the server was located in 19
- 20 the facility, what could you tell about how the server was
- 21 configured?
- 22 A. So, again, we examined the computer server first and we
- 23 noticed that the way the server was set up had two hard drives
- 24 that were written to -- identically at the same time.
- 25 So the reason why is anybody runs a server this way is

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you have two identical hard drives and if one of them fails, the other one could take over and the website would never go down.

Noting that, we turned the server off and we took one of the hard drives as the true, best original evidence at that point.

- Q. Now, were you doing anything to monitor the Silk Road website as this was occurring?
- A. Yes. So when we went into the data center, I had a separate laptop that was configured to use Tor and I had gone to the Silk Road website on Tor. And prior to turning the server off to seize the hard drive, I was able to view the contents of Silk Road Marketplace on Tor.

When I turned the computer off to take the hard drive, the Tor -- the Silk Road website on Tor was no longer accessible. And once removing the second hard drive, I needed to turn the computer -- the server back on; and soon after, I was able to access the Silk Road website again.

- Q. Now, why did you turn the Silk Road Marketplace back on?
- A. So there were two phases to the approach that we took that day. The first thing, after seizing the hard drive, the first thing we needed to do the next thing we needed to do was to seize the bitcoins on the other server listed there with IP address 193.107.86.34.
- Q. Now, how did you know the bitcoins were located on that

1 server?

- 2 A. So, if you recall back, the backup server that I seized in
- 3 Philadelphia back in September, the month prior, I noticed that
- 4 | there were programs in there that indicated that Marketplace
- 5 was set up with the bitcoins being at a different location to
- 6 separate the two; and we knew that there was another server
- 7 containing all the bitcoins related to the Silk Road
- 8 Marketplace.
- 9 Q. Was this code that was located on the backup server itself
- 10 | that referenced the bitcoin server?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. And did it specify the IP address of the bitcoin server?
- 13 A. Yes, it did.
- 14 | Q. So how did you withdraw -- why did you have to keep --
- 15 | THE COURT: Let me ask, when you say that the
- 16 | Philadelphia server specified the IP address of the bitcoin
- 17 | server, is that equivalent to saying that the Philadelphia
- 18 server specified the IP address of the server located in
- 19 | Iceland?
- 20 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- 21 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 22 You may proceed.
- 23 Q. You said that you put the Marketplace back online with
- 24 one -- there were two -- sorry. Let me step back.
- 25 You said there were two hard drives that operated the

- 1 server for the Silk Road Marketplace, correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. And you took one of the two hard drives as evidence for the
- 4 | case, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. And then you turned the server back on with one of the hard
- 7 drives in place because you said you had to seize bitcoins?
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 Q. Can you explain why you needed to turn the Marketplace back
- 10 on in order to do that.
- 11 | A. So, again, we didn't want to alert the users of Silk Road
- 12 Marketplace that their bitcoins are being seized, so as I
- 13 mentioned before, the bitcoins in the Marketplace were
- 14 separated and the Marketplace had a program that reached out to
- 15 | the bitcoin server to get the current balance and it would
- 16 update every five minutes or periodically.
- And in order for me to seize all the bitcoins, I
- 18 needed to leave the Marketplace remaining online, but I
- 19 discontinued that update process so the balance was stuck at
- 20 | the last known amount. And as I was seizing the bitcoins, the
- 21 users wouldn't be aware that the balance of the bitcoins on
- 22 | Silk Road was depleting.
- 23 Q. And how did you actually seize the bitcoins? What did you
- 24 do?

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A. So prior to going over to Iceland, I created a bitcoin

Marketplace.

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- address that was dedicated for the government to seize and transfer and receive the bitcoins that came out of Silk Road
- Q. And how did you move them from the bitcoin server in Iceland to the FBI address?
- A. I logged onto the Silk Road bitcoin server and executed instructions to move that -- to make that transfer happen.
  - Q. Approximately how much did you move over to the FBI?
- 9 A. On that day of October 2, it was a little over 20,000 bitcoins.
- 11 | Q. What was the approximate value in U.S. dollars that day?
- 12 A. There's different bitcoin prices at different indices, so I
- would say approximately depending on the price that you used
- 14 before 16- to \$18 million. Oh. Wait. I'm sorry. Let me go
- 15 back and do my math.
- 16 Q. You said there were 20,000?
- 17 | A. Oh, 2- to \$3 million.
- 18 Q. Now, earlier you said that there were two reasons that you
- 19 had to turn the Marketplace back up. One reason was to seize
- 20 | the bitcoins, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 | Q. And prevent the balance from being updated so that users
- 23 | wouldn't know the bitcoins were being seized, correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. What was the other reason that you had to turn the

- 1 | Marketplace back on?
- 2 A. So the last part of seizing these servers, we did want to
- 3 make a statement that the U.S. Government had seized and taken
- 4 over Silk Road Marketplace, so using the Marketplace
- 5 | infrastructure, we had replaced the contents of the Silk Road
- 6 Marketplace and replaced it with a picture showing the
- 7 government seized Silk Road Marketplace.
- 8 Q. Could you please look in your binder to what's been marked
- 9 for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 600, please.
- 10 What is this?
- 11 | A. It's a picture that I created based on a template that was
- 12 | provided to me to place it on the Silk Road website once the
- 13 seizure was completed.
- 14 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 15 | Exhibit 600.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 17 THE COURT: Received.
- 18 (Government's Exhibit 600 received in evidence)
- 19 Q. Mr. Yum, this was the seizure banner that replaced the
- 20 contents of the Silk Road homepage. Is that correct?
- 21 A. That's correct. Another thing that I want to note here is
- 22 | just like when I first turned the computer off, I was
- 23 | monitoring the Silk Road website, and prior to putting this
- 24 | picture up, I needed to turn the web server off. And I noticed
- 25 on my laptop I was no longer able to access Silk Road

- 1 | Marketplace. And once I swapped the files and put this back
- 2 on, I turned the web server back on, and on my separate laptop
- 3 on my Tor browser, the Silk Road Marketplace that wasn't
- 4 accessible was now showing this page.
- 5 Q. So instead of the Silk Road homepage, you would get the
- 6 seizure banner, right?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. Could users that go to the Silk Road then do transactions
- 9 on the Silk Road once you'd put that up on the website?
- 10 A. No. They would be stopped at that screen.
- 11 | Q. Now, did you also seize the bitcoin server?
- 12 A. Yes, I did.
- 13 Q. The second server in Iceland?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. First, let's focus on what you did on the Marketplace
- 16 server.
- 17 | A. Sure.
- 18 Q. What did you do with the market -- you said you took one
- 19 | hard drive from there?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. What did you do with that after you took it?
- 22 | A. I brought it back to New York and then I made a working
- 23 copy out of that and checked the original hard drive into
- 24 | evidence.
- MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, may I approach.

THE COURT: You may. 1

- Mr. Yum, I'm showing you what's been marked for 2
- 3 identification purposes as Government Exhibit 603. Do you
- recognize what this is? 4
- 5 Yes, I do. Α.
- And what is this? 6 0.
- 7 It's the original -- one of the original hard drives that
- came out of the Silk Road Marketplace server. 8
- 9 Is that the server that you had previously identified as
- 10 having the IP address 193.107.86.49?
- 11 Yes, it is.
- 12 How do you recognize that?
- 13 I recognize this because the server -- some of the server Α.
- 14 hard drives they look different than a normal computer hard
- drive, so it's a little different than what I normally see. 15 So
- I recognize it just by the physical appearance, but also the 16
- 17 serial number that was marked on it matches my form that I
- filled out when I checked it into evidence. 18
- MR. HOWARD: And the government offers Government 19
- 20 Exhibit 603.
- 21 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 22 THE COURT: Received.
- 23 (Government's Exhibit 603 received in evidence)
- 24 Could you please look in your binder to what's been marked
- for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 603A. Do you 25

- 1 recognize this exhibit?
- 2 | A. Yes, I do.
- $3 \parallel Q$ . What is it?
- 4 A. It's the log file that was generated after I made a working
- 5 copy from this original hard drive.
- 6 Q. Did you make the copy in a similar manner as to the way you
- 7 | copied the server in Philadelphia?
- 8 A. Yes. I used a similar device.
- 9 Q. And does this log file -- were you involved in generating
- 10 | this log file?
- 11 | A. Yes, I was.
- 12 MR. HOWARD: Government offers Government
- 13 Exhibit 603A.
- 14 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 15 THE COURT: Received.
- 16 | (Government's Exhibit 603A received in evidence)
- 17 MR. HOWARD: Zoom in on the bottom section.
- 18 Q. Mr. Yum, here is another MD5 and SHA1 hash of the working
- 19 copy that you made?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. Now, this log file only has one MD5 and one SHA1. Can you
- 22 | explain that?
- 23 A. Yes. So I have the original which I can always go back and
- 24 confirm that what I have is what I took. And any time I'm
- 25 making a copy of this, that device that I'm using, that is

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write-protected so it can never be altered. And if it ever gets altered, you could tell right away.

So this is the hash value for MD5 and SHA1 that was calculated for the image that I created. So anyone else who is working on this image afterwards, they could be assured that the copy hasn't been altered since it was first made.

- Q. And does anything in this document indicate whether the copy was an accurate copy of the original?
- A. Yes. Right above the highlighted section it says total errors which is zero, and the copy was completed without any problem.
- Q. Now, were you also involved in seizing the bitcoin server in Iceland?
- 14 A. Yes.
  - Q. How was that server configured?
    - A. I believe that one had a hard drive that was in there and after seizing all the bitcoins, at that time I turned it off and I seized the hard drive that was on the server.
  - Q. What did you do with that hard drive?
- 20 A. I also brought that back to FBI New York.

MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, may I approach the witness.

THE COURT: You may.

Q. Mr. Yum, I'm showing you now what's been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 605. Do you recognize this exhibit?

- 1 | A. Yes, I do.
- 2 | Q. And what is it?
- 3 A. It's the original hard drive that came out of the bitcoin
- 4 server.
- 5 | Q. How do you know that?
- 6 A. Again, I recognize it by the physical appearance of the
- 7 | hard drive itself. More importantly, the serial number
- 8 | matched -- the serial number on the hard drive matches the form
- 9 | that I used to check it into evidence.
- 10 | Q. You called it the bitcoin server. Is that the server you
- 11 | testified earlier had the IP address of 193.107.86.34?
- 12 | A. Yes, it is.
- 13 | Q. And how did you make a copy of this one?
- 14 A. I used the similar device that I had used previously with
- 15 | the Marketplace server.
- 16 | Q. Did you also verify that it was an accurate copy based on
- 17 hash values?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Both the MD5 and the SHA1?
- 20 A. Yes. I generated the MD5 and the SHA1 and verified that
- 21 | there were no errors triggered when the copy was made.
- 22 | Q. Could you please take a look at Government Exhibit 605A,
- 23 please. Do you recognize what this is?
- 24 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. What is this?

- A. This is the log file that was generated once the bitcoin server hard drive was copied.
  - Q. Were you involved in imaging and creating this log file?
  - A. Yes, I was.
- 5 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 6 Exhibit 605A.

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- 7 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 8 THE COURT: Received.
- 9 And did you offer 605?
- 10 MR. HOWARD: If I didn't, I mean to offer it now.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 12 THE COURT: Received.
- 13 (Government's Exhibits 605, 605A received in evidence)
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, zoom in on the bottom section.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. Again, is this where the MD5 and SHA1 hash values are
- 16 | located, Mr. Yum?
- 17 | A. Yes, it is.
- 18 | Q. And does this also indicate that there were no errors, it
- 19 was made successfully and that the copy was a true and accurate
- 20 copy of the original?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. What did you do after you made a copy of the bitcoin
- 23 server?
- 24 A. I checked it into evidence.
- 25 | Q. Now, earlier you testified that you were involved in

- putting up the seizure banner on the Silk Road Marketplace server, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- Q. Are you familiar with setting up websites to run on the Tor
- 5 | network?
- 6 A. Yes, I am.
- 7 Q. Mr. Yum, could you please flip in your binder to what's
- 8 been marked for identification purposes as Government
- 9 Exhibit 106D. Do you recognize what this is?
- 10 A. Yes. It appears to be a simplified diagram of how the Tor
- 11 network operates.
- 12 | Q. Would this aid your testimony today?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- MR. HOWARD: The government offers 106D for
- 15 demonstrative purposes.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 17 THE COURT: Received.
- 18 (Government's Exhibit 106D received in evidence)
- 19 THE COURT: For demonstrative purposes.
- 20 Q. Mr. Yum, here we have a diagram of the Tor network,
- 21 correct, simplified diagram?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And so, what is required to put -- and right here we have a
- 24 | web server hidden service, right?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 | Q. What is required to put a website on the Tor network?
- 2 A. The first and most important thing is you need to know how
- 3 | to run a website first, how to run a web server. Once you know
- 4 how to do that, if you also know how to use Tor technology, all
- 5 you need to do is change a couple of lines of code and it's
- 6 almost plug and play. Everything is handled by Tor itself and
- 7 | your web server is no longer accessible on the Internet but
- 8 only through Tor.
- 9 Q. Mr. Yum, to be clear, do you need to understand anything
- 10 | about what's going on inside the Tor network?
- 11 | A. No. You don't need to understand how exactly Tor works.
- 12 | Q. That's done for Tor for you?
- 13 A. Right. All the actual transmission back and forth is
- 14 | handled by how Tor is designed.
- 15 | Q. Now, are instructions available for how to set up a Tor
- 16 | hidden service?
- 17 A. Yes, they are.
- 18 | Q. Where are they located?
- 19 A. On the main Tor project page, as well as some other users
- 20 have their own instructions as well.
- 21 | Q. Now, Mr. Yum, do you have any experience with bitcoins?
- 22 | A. Yes, I do.
- 23 | Q. Have you engaged in any bitcoin transactions?
- 24 A. Yes, I have.
- 25 | Q. And approximately how many?

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- A. I would say hundreds of bitcoin transactions.
- 2 Q. Including the bitcoin transactions you talked about
- 3 earlier, you seized bitcoins?
- 4 A. Correct, for the government seizure of bitcoins as well.
- 5 | Q. What are bitcoins?
- 6 A. Bitcoins are -- it's digital currency. It's money that
- 7 | works online to buy products online or even in real person or
- 8 paid-for services. It's kind of like cash for the Internet.
- 9 It's similar to cash in that when people conduct transactions,
- 10 | you don't really see who is doing the transactions, but it's
- 11 different than cash that every single transaction, the
- 12 | transaction itself, it gets permanently documented on this
- 13 | thing called the block chain. So even though you don't know
- 14 | who made the transactions, you get to see every single
- 15 | transaction that was performed using bitcoins.
- 16 Q. Can you explain the block chain a little more fully,
- 17 | please.
- 18 A. So block chain, in accounting terms it's similar to a
- 19 | public ledger which means, you know, published financial
- 20 | records of everything that's taking place. So block chain,
- 21 | it's a file that's online on the Internet access and shared and
- 22 | used by all the bitcoin users and what it contains is every
- 23 | single transaction of bitcoins ever since the creation of
- 24 | bitcoins.

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Q. Now, can bitcoins be used for legitimate purposes?

- A. Yes, they can.
- Q. Can they also be used for illegitimate purposes?
- A. Of course.

THE COURT: Let me ask about the block chain again.

I'm not clear what information is in the block chain. In other words, I understand from your testimony that you can follow that there has been a transaction, then another transaction, then another transaction and you can follow the transaction history of a particular bitcoin --

THE WITNESS: Right.

THE COURT: -- or a portion of bitcoin.

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: What is the information in the block chain?

THE WITNESS: So the information that's contained in the block chain, first of all, you would have the information about the block chain itself, so the size of the current block and the date and the time that block was added to the block chain, so it's constantly growing. I think the current size of the block chain is over 20 gigabytes I think. So it's a considerable size because it contains all the history of bitcoins.

So within the block, there's additional information of every single transaction that was added to that block, so you'll see all the addresses that were used to send the payment

F1tqulb3 Yum - direct and all the addresses that were used to receive a payment in 1 bitcoins. 2 3 THE COURT: IP addresses? 4 THE WITNESS: There is no direct IP address of who is 5 sending and receiving bitcoins. THE COURT: So what kind of address is it? 6 7 THE WITNESS: I believe you might be able to obtain the IP address of --8 9 THE COURT: Don't speculate. I'm wondering when you 10 use the word "address," what were you referring to, what kind 11 of address. THE WITNESS: Bitcoin addresses. So it's a long 12 13 string of alphanumeric value and it works almost like an email 14 address. You need to give somebody your bitcoin address in 15 order for whoever that wants to pay you to make sure they pay you the correct amount of bitcoins to the right person. 16 17 So if I were to email Tim, I wouldn't know how to send him an email until Tim gave me his email address. So in the 18 same manner, if I need to send Tim ten bitcoins, there's no way 19 20 for me to deliver those bitcoins to him unless he gives me his 21 bitcoin address first. 22 BY MR. HOWARD:

Q. Mr. Yum, let's skip ahead. We'll come back to where we want to go next to show an example of a block chain. Look at Government Exhibit 601, which is in your binder, please.

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- 1 Do you recognize what this is?
- 2 | A. Yes, I do.
- $3 \quad Q. \quad What is this?$
- 4 A. It's a screenshot of a popular block chain explorer,
- 5 | blockchain.info. You could obtain information about the block
- 6 chain and transactions.
- 7 | Q. Is that website available to the public?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Were you involved in the preparation of this exhibit?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Does this exhibit fairly and accurately depict information
- 12 | from the block chain?
- 13 A. Yes, it does.
- MR. HOWARD: Government offers Government Exhibit 601.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 16 THE COURT: Received.
- 17 (Government's Exhibit 601 received in evidence)
- 18 Q. Mr. Yum, this is something you could pull up in an ordinary
- 19 Internet processor, correct?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Let's focus on the top section.
- 22 | A. So the top section is a high-level summary about that
- 23 address.
- 24 | Q. So where is -- do you have your laser pointer up there?
- 25 A. Yes, I do.

- 1 | Q. Can you point to what a bitcoin address is?
  - A. It would be the first line right there.
- 3 MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can we zoom in on that for a 4 moment.
- 5 Q. So it's this long string of numbers and letters, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- Q. Earlier you gave the example of sending an email. You'd need to know the email address of someone you're sending an
- 9 | email to in order to send the email to them, right?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Is this what you would need to know from someone else if
  12 you wanted to send them bitcoins?
- 13 A. Right. That would be the address that I would need to send
  14 the bitcoins to if I owed the owner of that address money or
- 15 | bitcoins.
- 16 | Q. It's a long, ugly string of numbers and characters, right?
- 17 | A. Yes.

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- MR. HOWARD: Can we zoom out.
- 19 Q. What other information is there at the top here?
- 20 A. On the right side, it has the history of that bitcoin
- 21 | address. So that bitcoin address was used in six different
- 22 | transactions and it received a total of 7,225 bitcoins and the
- 23 | final balance is zero. So all of those bitcoins that were
- 24 received to that address has afterwards been sent to somewhere
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1 MR. HOWARD: Can we zoom out, please.

- Q. What does this section of the report include?
- A. That would be the detailed transaction of that summary that was mentioned above, the six transactions.
  - Q. Would that be all the transactions that were associated with that address?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Let's focus on the bottom one for an example.

Can you describe how this depicts information about a bitcoin transaction.

A. Yes. So I'll go from the top right first. So that long string of alphanumeric value there, that is a transaction ID. So on the block chain, every transaction is tagged with a unique ID that only represents one unique transaction. So with that transaction ID, you know this transaction happened.

On the block, you also get a timestamp over there, which was — the transaction occurred in March 31, 2013 and below it on the body of this transaction detail, you see the four addresses on the left. Those four addresses together sent 1,670 bitcoins to that address on the right.

- Q. To be clear, it's 1,670 bitcoins in total across all four of those addresses?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- Q. To the one address on the right, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. So if someone has a bitcoin address, like the one on the right, this is information they can just pull up on a public website, correct?
  - A. Correct.

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- Q. If you have the unique transaction number, could you also pull up all these transaction details on a public website?
- MR. HOWARD: Now, can we zoom out, please.
- Q. So now if you have the bitcoin address, this is the report you can get that's publicly available, right?
- A. Right.
- Q. Does the report include any information about who -- the identity of the person who owns the bitcoin address?
- A. No, it doesn't. So you would only get the information what
  you see up there. If you were the actual party in that
  transaction, you could -- if you know who sent you the money,
  you could kind of -- you could tie in -- certain addresses
  might belong to somebody. But other than that, the block chain
- 19 itself, you can't tell who is sending or receiving bitcoins.
- 20 | Q. You would need information from somewhere else, correct?
- 21 | A. Right.
- 22 Q. Not from the block chain itself?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. Could you please flip in your binder to what's been premarked for identification purposes as Government

Exhibit 608, please. Are you familiar with how the basics of a bitcoin transaction works?

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- Q. What is Government Exhibit 608?
- 5 A. It is a simplified illustration to explain how a bitcoin works.
  - Q. Would this aid your testimony today?
  - A. Yes.

MR. HOWARD: The government offers government Exhibit 608 for demonstrative purposes.

MR. DRATEL: No objection.

THE COURT: Received for demonstrative purposes.

(Government's Exhibit 608 received in evidence)

- Q. Mr. Yum, could you please explain, what is a bitcoin wallet?
- A. So a bitcoin wallet, it's a container that holds all the bitcoin addresses relating to a person. So in this picture here, we had Alice. Alice is using bitcoin and she has a bitcoin program on her computer. That program creates a wallet file and inside the wallet file, it contains all the addresses that belong to Alice; as well as you could see the balances that are inside each one of those addresses, but more importantly, the wallet file contains and here, it has a red key, but in bitcoin terms, it's called a private key. And what private key allows is the user, Alice, to control and see all

- 1 of the information about her bitcoins.
- 2 Q. What else does having the private keys allow you to do with
- 3 | bitcoins?
- 4 A. So if you own any bitcoins in any one of these addresses,
- 5 | the corresponding key allows you to spend those bitcoins.
- 6 Q. And the wallet is basically just a computer file, correct?
  - A. Yes. It's a computer file, yeah.
  - Q. Is Alice able to see all of her own addresses?
- 9 A. Yes.

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- Q. Just to be clear, on this demonstrative that we say BTC
- 11 Address 1 and down to 5.
- 12 How many addresses could a wallet contain?
- 13 A. As many as you want. In here for example purposes there's
- 14 only five addresses listed, but you could create hundreds,
- 15 | thousands of addresses in one wallet file.
- 16 | Q. Can anyone else other than Alice see all of the addresses
- 17 | in her wallet?
- 18 | A. Only if they know what the address is, but if you don't
- 19 have the private key, you can't just guess someone else's
- 20 address.
- 21 | Q. To be clear, each those addresses is one of those long,
- 22 | ugly string of numbers and letters, right?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 THE COURT: Where do you get an address?
- 25 | THE WITNESS: So, the bitcoin program generates a long

string of numbers and that acts as a seed to the private key.

And the program again uses that private key to calculate

something that is similar to the MD5 hashes and a hash value is

represented as a public key which is a lot easier to pass to

someone else, although it looks very long and confusing.

THE COURT: All right.

- Q. How easy is it to create a new bitcoin address?
- A. If you're using a bitcoin program all you have to do is click a button and request the program to create a new bitcoin address.
- Q. It will assign a new bitcoin address to you?
- 12 | A. Yes.

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- Q. Will it give you the private key necessary to spend the bitcoins in that address?
- A. Right. In the background of the program, you'll get a

  private key and then you'll get the public address that you can

  freely give out to other people if you want to receive bitcoins

  to that address.
  - Q. Could you explain what is depicted on the second slide, please.
  - A. I'm going to walk you through a simplified demonstration of how a transaction would occur. So, again Alice, she owes Bob ten bitcoins, but just as I said, Alice has no idea where to send the bitcoins to, so she needs to ask Bob for a bitcoin address first.

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So Alice wants to send ten bitcoins and she's asking where to send it to. And Bob, in his wallet, he only has two addresses, but as stated before, he could have many more if he wants to. So Bob picks his Bitcoin Address 2, and can we go to the next screen, please, and tells Alice to send ten bitcoins to Address 2.

Alice doesn't really need to worry about where the bitcoins are coming from her wallet. The program handles that in the most efficient manner it could, so once Alice tells her bitcoin program to send ten bitcoins to Bob's Address 2, Alice's program picks Address 1 and Address 4 in her wallet and sends ten bitcoins to Bob's Address 2.

- Q. So Alice doesn't have to pick and choose between her own addresses, correct?
- Α. Right. It's very simple to use.

THE COURT: It could be five out of one address, five out of another or two out of one address, eight out of another, or some other combination of pieces?

THE WITNESS: Correct.

THE COURT: All right.

- So what's depicted on the third slide? Q.
- In our demonstration, there were seven bitcoins in Address 1 that was sent and three bitcoins in Address 4 of Alice's bitcoin that were sent to Bob's Address 2 in the amount of ten bitcoins.

- Q. And then what's reflected on the bottom of the slide?
- 2 A. So the bottom would be an example of what would be recorded
- 3 onto the block chain as we saw in the prior block chain info
- 4 screenshot. So in here, you would see a unique transaction
- 5 number that identifies this particular transaction and the date
- and time this transaction was documented onto the block chain.
- 7 And in here, again, you see only the two addresses
- 8 | that were used to make this transaction of ten bitcoins that
- 9 were sent to Bob's Address 2.
- 10 Q. So now Bob could get this information off the block chain
- 11 | and see what addresses Alice's wallet used to engage in this
- 12 | transaction, correct?
- 13 A. Correct. Bob, he knows his address, so he could easily
- 14 search his own address and figure out this transaction and note
- 15 | that Alice used these two bitcoin addresses to send Bob ten
- 16 | bitcoins.
- 17 | Q. Now, would Bob know all of Alice's other bitcoin addresses?
- 18 A. No. Address 2, 3 or 5, Bob would have no idea what
- 19 | the -- who those addresses belong to.
- 20 | Q. And why couldn't he see those?
- 21 | A. The addresses aren't announced or anything. So unless you
- 22 | directly have a transaction with somebody, you can't really
- 23 | figure out who owns what address.
- 24 | Q. You need the private keys to see all the rest of the
- 25 | wallet?

- A. Right. The only way Bob may be able to see these addresses is if he had the private key in his wallet allowing him to
- 3 calculate the same private address -- public address.
- Q. Now, Mr. Yum, earlier you testified that you seized approximately 20,000 bitcoins from the Iceland bitcoin server,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- Q. Now, apart from that seizure, were you involved in any other seizures of bitcoins in the Silk Road investigation?
- 10 | A. Yes, I was.
- 11 | Q. Where were those bitcoins located?
- 12 A. The wallet file for the other bitcoins were obtained from
  13 the laptop that was seized from the defendant on the day of his
- 14 arrest.
- 15 | Q. And how did you get access to that wallet file?
- 16 A. So, Mr. Kiernan actually analyzed and reviewed the laptop
- and he had located the wallet file and copied it onto a thumb
- 18 drive and handed it over to me.
- Q. And what did you do with that wallet file after it was provided to you by Mr. Kiernan?
- 21 A. So, I loaded that wallet file onto my bitcoin program
- 22 instance, and checked the current balance that was contained
- 23 | inside all the addresses inside the wallet file.
- 24 | Q. And what was the balance?
- 25 A. It was approximately 144,000 bitcoins.

- Q. And what were those bitcoins worth approximately at the time of the defendant's arrest?
- A. So at the time of the arrest, which was prior to when I received that wallet file, it was -- again, using the varying
- 5 bitcoin price of that day, it would have been anywhere between
- 6 | 16- to \$18 million.
- 7 Q. Now, what did you do after you determined the balance of
- 8 the bitcoins that were in the wallet that was in the
- 9 defendant's computer?
- 10 A. I had another bitcoin address that was prepared for the
- 11 government's seizure, and I transferred all the bitcoins from
- 12 | the defendant's wallet file into the government address.
- 13 | Q. You said it was an FBI bitcoin wallet, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 | Q. Is this the same or different wallet that you used in
- 16 | Iceland to get the bitcoins from the bitcoin server?
- 17 | A. Different address. I wanted to separate the two so the
- 18 | bitcoins didn't mix.
- 19 Q. Was there any balance in the FBI controlled log when you
- 20 created it?
- 21 | A. No. It was a newly -- brand new created bitcoin address
- 22 | and since it's never been -- there's never been a transaction
- 23 conducted using that address, it wouldn't have shown in the
- 24 | block chain, so no one else knew what that address was.
- 25 | Q. Now, did the wallet file that was provided to you by

- 1 Mr. Kiernan from the defendant's laptop contain the private 2 keys for the bitcoin addresses in that wallet?
- 3 A. Correct. That would be the most important thing. Without
- 4 | those private keys, I wouldn't have the right to send the
- 5 | bitcoins from the defendant's wallet to the government seizure
- 6 address.
- 7 Q. Did those private keys also allow you to see all of the
- 8 | bitcoin addresses that were located in that wallet?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. Can you please flip in your binder to what's been marked
- 11 | for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 607. Do you
- 12 | recognize what this is?
- 13 A. Yes, I do.
- 14 | Q. And what is this?
- 15 A. It's a screenshot of a search engine named duckduckgo, and
- 16 | it's the search result for a bitcoin address starting 1FfmbH,
- 17 | which is the address that I created for the government to seize
- 18 all of the bitcoins from the defendant's laptop.
- 19 Q. And had you previously used this website to obtain public
- 20 | information from the block chain?
- 21 | A. Yes, I have.
- 22 | Q. Does this website accurately reflect bitcoin transactions
- 23 | that you've conducted in the past?
- 24 A. Yes, it does.
- 25 Q. You took this screenshot?

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MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government

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MR. DRATEL: No objection.

THE COURT: Received.

(Government's Exhibit 607 received in evidence)

- Q. Mr. Yum, right up here at the top next to the cute little picture of the duck, there's 1Ff and a long string of characters. What is this?
- 10 A. That's the address created for the government.
- 11 Q. The bitcoin address?
- 12 A. The bitcoin address, yes.
- 13 | Q. And you were involved in creating that, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- MR. HOWARD: Can we zoom out, please.
- Q. Here it says total received, 144,341 and change. What does
- 17 | that number represent?
- 18 A. So that's the total amount of bitcoins that was sent to
- 19 this address above.
- 20 | Q. And where were they sent from?
- 21 A. So that total number is a little higher than the actual
- 22 | amount, but the majority of those were sent from the
- 23 defendant's laptop -- the wallet file located in the
- 24 defendant's laptop.
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you please publish

- 1 Government Exhibit 201L, which is already in evidence.
- 2 Q. Have you seen this before? It's on the screen.
  - A. Yes, I have.

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- 4 Q. And what is this?
- A. It's a summary sheet. It's a picture screenshot of the defendant's laptop when it was seized on the day of his arrest.
  - Q. So I want to focus here on the fifth line down here. Can we zoom in here. And here it says cold BTC and under that

How does this number that was on the defendant's computer screen compare to the number of bitcoins that you seized?

- 13 A. It matches almost exact to the amount that was seized.
- 14 Q. And right above that, there's the word "cold BTC"?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. Are you familiar with the bitcoin term "cold storage"?
- A. Yes, I am. It's a term that's commonly used within the bitcoin community and bitcoin users.
- 19 Q. What is it used to refer to?
  - A. It's a way to store your wallet file. So it's important to secure your wallet file because it has all the keys that allows you to spend your bitcoins. So cold storage is the most common example is not having your wallet file attached a bitcoin program. So instead of that would be hot, so instead of having a hot wallet, you have a cold storage where

- if you separate from a computer that's running a bitcoin program, so even if the computer gets comprised or damaged or
- 3 if it fails, you still have your bitcoins secure and tucked
- 4 away in your cold storage.
- Q. What does cold storage refer to with a bitcoin wallet with respect to a website?
- 7 A. For a website, if you're running a website and if your
- 8 website crashes or if your website gets compromised, you don't
- 9 want to lose everything that's in there, so you create a cold
- 10 storage. And the idea would be to move all the important parts
- or your bitcoins to cold storage so if anything ever happens to
- 12 | the website, you don't lose your bitcoins.
- 13 Q. Now, Mr. Yum, earlier you testified that you are currently
- 14 working at FTI Consulting, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 | Q. What is your position?
- 17 A. Senior director.
- 18 Q. Now, in your capacity at FTI, have you recently been
- 19 | involved in an analysis of bitcoin transactions related to the
- 20 | Silk Road investigation?
- 21 | A. Yes, I was.
- 22 | Q. Now, are you being paid for your work with respect to that?
- 23 | A. Yes, I am.
- Q. And how much are you getting paid for that?
- 25 | A. For this project, not myself directly, but my company is

- charging an hourly rate of \$468. 1
- Did you work on this alone or did others at FTI assist you? 2 Q.
- 3 I worked with one other -- one other person in my team. Α.
- 4 To be clear now, you got paid for the work you did on this Q.
- 5 analysis, correct?
- Just on analysis. 6 Α.
  - Are you being paid to testify today?
- 8 Α. No, I'm not.
- 9 Now, what was the overall subject matter of your recent
- 10 work?

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- 11 Α. I'm sorry --
- 12 What is the overall matter of your recent work?
- 13 I was asked by the government to see if there's any -- if Α.
- 14 any at all link between the bitcoin addresses that were found
- on Silk Road and the bitcoin addresses that were found on the 15
- defendant's laptop. 16
- 17 Q. So let's break that down. Where were these bitcoin
- addresses located? 18
- A. So, one side, we had the Silk Road bitcoins. I received 19
- 20 evidence items from the government and I reviewed the
- Philadelphia server that was mentioned before, as well as the 21
- 22 bitcoin Marketplace -- the Silk Road Marketplace bitcoin
- 23 servers in Iceland and located -- examined and located,
- 24 identified all the bitcoin wallet files that were found on
- 25 those two servers.

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- Q. Those are two servers that you were actually personally involved in seizing, correct?

  A. Yes, when I was still with the government.
  - Q. Did you find the private keys on those servers for those wallet files?
    - A. Yes. So I obtained the wallet files, so I had all the private keys that are also inside those wallet files.
    - Q. So did that allow you to see all of the bitcoin addresses that were associated with those wallets on the Silk Road servers?
  - A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. Now, how about the defendant's laptop?
  - A. So, I took the same approach. I got a forensic image copy of the defendant's laptop and I examined and analyzed the laptop to locate at least three wallet files and extracted all the bitcoin addresses there because I had the private keys that were contained inside those wallet files.

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- Q. Now, you testified that you examined -- you received certain pieces of evidence from the FBI to perform this analysis, correct?
  - A. Correct.
- Q. So what pieces of evidence did you specifically receive?
- A. I got three forensic images -- one of the Philadelphia server, the backup server, one of the Iceland bitcoin server that was seized over in Iceland, and an image of the
- 9 defendant's laptop, which was seized at the time of his arrest.
  - Q. So if you could please flip in your binder -- actually, just real fast. After you received copies of those three
- 12 pieces of evidence, did you do anything to verify that they
- were true and accurate copies of the original evidence?
- 14 A. Of course. I calculated my own MD5 and SHA1 hashes. I
- calculated those two hash files to make sure my starting point
- 16 is the same as what was originally copied.
- 17 Q. So did you compare those MD5 and SHA1 hash values to the
- ones that were originally generated for those pieces of
- 19 evidence?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. What did you discovery?
- 22 A. They all matched.
- Q. Could you please flip in your binder to what has been marked as Government Exhibit 606, please.
- 25 How many pages is this exhibit?

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- Three pages in total. 1 Α.
- 2 And what is it? Q.
- 3 A. Each one of those pages are a screenshot that I made after
- I calculated the hash values. 4
- 5 Q. Those are the hash values of each of the three pieces of
- evidence that you received from the FBI? 6
- 7 A. Correct.
- MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit 8
- 9 606.
- 10 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- THE COURT: Received. 11
- (Government's Exhibit 606 received in evidence) 12
- 13 So each contains an MD5 and a SHA1, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- MR. HOWARD: Just flip through the pages, Mr. Evert. 15
- And all of those values match the values on the various log 16
- 17 files we've seen today, correct?
- A. Yes, they do. 18
- And also match the log file from the image of the 19
- 20 defendant's computer that you received from the FBI?
- 21 Α. Yes.
- 22 Q. The laptop computer?
- 23 Α. Yes.
- 24 Could you please look in your binder to what has been
- 25 marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 609.

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bitcoin addresses.

Do you recognize this exhibit? 1 Yes, I do. 2 Α. 3 Ο. And what is it? It's a simplified illustration of the work that I did to 4 Α. compare all the addresses that was obtained from Silk Road 5 6 Marketplace and all the addresses that were obtained from the 7 defendant's laptop. And would this aid your testimony today? 8 9 Α. Yes. 10 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit 609 for demonstrative purposes. 11 12 MR. DRATEL: No objection for demonstrative purposes. 13 THE COURT: 609 is received for demonstrative 14 purposes. 15 (Government's Exhibit 609 received in evidence) BY MR. HOWARD: 16 17 Could you please explain what your analysis consisted of? 18 A. Sure. So I examined the forensic copy of the defendant's laptop and carefully went through the files and located three 19 20 Bitcoin Wallet files. Some of those wallet files may be 21 duplicates or used that one time and then switched over to a 22 different wallet, so there were some duplicates. But at the 23 end I sorted the addresses down to 11,135 unique individual

And this is possible because the wallet file contains

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the private key that I was talking about. So without the private key I would not be able to extract all these addresses.

Q. The fact that the private keys were located on the

A. It indicates the defendant's laptop, the wallet file, controlled these bitcoin addresses. So these are the only keys that could spend the bitcoins that are in these wallet files.

Q. So the user of the computer could spend the bitcoins in those addresses?

A. Correct. And if we could go to the next page.

defendant's computer, what does that indicate?

images of two servers that I obtained, one from the Philadelphia backup server and one from the Iceland Silk Road bitcoin servers. So from those two images, I carefully went through them, examined it, and identified and located 22 Bitcoin Wallet files. Again, some of these might be backups or an address that was used at one point and moved on to another address. So initially I found over 10 million bitcoin addresses. Some of them are duplicates, but I narrowed it down to a little over 2 million unique bitcoin addresses.

Q. Go to the next page, please.

A. So now I have two sets of addresses, a set of over 2 million bitcoins that were found on servers that are related to Silk Road Marketplace. And on the other side I had over 11,000 bitcoin addresses that were recovered from the laptop belonging

1 | to the defendant that was seized at the time of the arrest.

- Q. Sorry, how many address? 2,105,527 unique addresses?
- 3 A. Yes. The exact number would be 2,105,527 addresses from
- 4 Silk Road Marketplace and 11,135 bitcoin addresses from the
- 5 defendant's laptop.

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- Q. Go to the next page, please.
- 7 A. Wait. Actually, can we go back one?

8 So I could explain using this screen and the next

9 screen, but the analysis that I did, I didn't do any

10 complicated analysis. I wanted to look for the most simple

11 direct link between those two sets of addresses. So I had the

12 | addresses from the Silk Road Marketplace and I had the

addresses from the defendant's laptop, and I went back to the

block chain, which is publicly available and agreed by all the

bitcoin users, and identified all the transactions where the

16 money was being sent from Silk Road Marketplace and bitcoins

- were received to the addresses on the defendant's laptop.
- 18 Q. Are these direct one-to-one transactions?
- 19 A. Direct one-to-one. It didn't skip over anywhere else. It
- 20 went straight directly from Silk Road Marketplace directly to
- 21 | the addresses found on the defendant's laptop.
  - So if you could go to the next screen.
- 23 So just to give you an example of the raw information
- 24 | that I had to work with, this is not the entire list but just a
- 25 portion of addresses from each side. So on the left you see

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all the addresses, the public addresses for Silk Road
Marketplace, and the unique list had over 2 million bitcoin
addresses and I could obtain these because of the private key
that was also inside the wallet files.

On the right side you have the laptop addresses in there. These are the unique addresses, over 11,000 bitcoin addresses that were found on the defendant's laptop and. I was able to tell these because the wallet file contains the private keys to generate these public addresses, which also allows the owner of those private keys to spend those bitcoins.

MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, may I approach?
THE COURT: Yes.

Q. So I'm handing you what has been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibits 650 and 651.

Do you recognize what these are?

- A. Yes, I do.
  - Q. And what are they?
- A. Each one of theses discs contain the text file that you saw a portion of just now.
- O. What are in those text files?
  - A. One of the text files contains all the addresses -- all the unique list of addresses from the Silk Road Marketplace, and the other disc contains all the unique addresses found on the defendant's laptop.
- Q. And just to be clear: I gave you two CDs. Which one is

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- 2 A. Exhibit 650 is the Silk Road Marketplace bitcoins, and
- 3 Exhibit 651 is all the addresses that were found on the
- 4 defendant's laptop.
  - Q. And how do you recognize these CDs?
- 6 A. I was involved in the creation of these CDs.
  - Q. And are your initials on them?
- 8 A. Yes. After I created them, I initialed them and dated the 9 CDs.
- MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibits

  11 650 and 651.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 13 THE COURT: Received.
- 14 (Government's Exhibits 650 and 651 received in evidence)
- MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, may I approach?
- 17 THE COURT: You may.
- MR. HOWARD: So, Mr. Evert, could you please publish
- 19 Government Exhibit 650. Just bring it up in the text file
- 20 litself.
- 21 | Q. So, Mr. Yum, this the list of the two-million-plus unique
- 22 | bitcoin addresses that were recovered from Silk Road-related
- 23 | servers, correct?
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 MR. HOWARD: If you can scroll this to show how large

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I think we get the idea.

Can we go to Government Exhibit 651, please.

- Q. Mr. Yum, this is a list of the 11,000-plus unique bitcoin
- 6 addresses that were found on the defendant's laptop computer,
- 7 | correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And the private keys for all these addresses were also
- 10 | located on the laptop?
- 11 A. Yes, they were.
- 12 MR. HOWARD: Would you scroll on this one.
- 13 (Indicating)
- 14 | Q. Now, Mr. Yum, could you please flip in your binder to
- 15 | what's been marked for identification purposes as Government
- 16 | Exhibit 610.
- Do you recognize this exhibit?
- 18 A. Yes, I do.
- 19 Q. What is this?
- 20 | A. It's a collection of screenshots that I made to spotcheck
- 21 and go through the link analysis that I performed.
- 22 | Q. Were you involved in the creation of this exhibit?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. So what are the screenshots taken from?
- 25 A. So there is three screenshots. In the center is the --

Mr. Yum, we'll describe them once we -- what are the 1 sources of the information for these screenshots? 2 3 A. From the block chain and the list of addresses found on Silk Road Marketplace and a list of addresses found on 4 5 defendant's laptop. 6 Q. Have you verified that this exhibit reflects true and 7 accurate copies of information from the block chain and true and accurate screenshots from each of the lists of bitcoin 8 9 addresses? 10 A. Yes. 11 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit 610. 12 13 MR. DRATEL: Just with respect to the screenshots? 14 THE COURT: Just with respect to the screenshots? 15 MR. HOWARD: We're offering the entire exhibit as a summary exhibit under 1006. 16 17 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Dratel, this is the one 18 that we were talking about? MR. HOWARD: It is Government Exhibit 610. 19 20 THE COURT: Right. I only have one page in my --21 MR. HOWARD: It is just one page, your Honor. 22 THE COURT: It is just a single page. 23 MR. DRATEL: It is one page. 24 THE COURT: All right. Received. 25 (Government's Exhibit 610 received in evidence)

1 MR. HOWARD: Could you please publish Government 2 Exhibit 610.

Q. So, Mr. Yum, can you please walk us through what this shows?

A. Sure. I guess it is best to start from the middle. So that section is, as you've seen before from the example of blockchain.info, the website where you can look up all the bitcoin transactions, this is a transaction that I identified which had bitcoin addresses from the marketplace making 3,900 bitcoin transactions to a bitcoin address that was found on the defendant's laptop.

So that's the unique transaction ID. It was — the transaction was made April 3rd, 2013. Again, you see the address starting on 1GarVY. And up top it has a screen capture of the list of the addresses from the marketplace that you had seen previously and a location where that can be found in that list.

On the bottom this has the portion of the list of all the addresses from the defendant's laptop, and you could see that the address found in there, starting "17t6V," matches the received bitcoin address in this transaction.

- Q. So this exhibit shows 3,900 bitcoins were sent from an address that was located on Silk Road servers to a bitcoin address that was located on the defendant's laptop?
- A. Yes. Exactly.

- Q. And that happened on April 3rd, 2013, according to publicly available information on the block chain?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Now, was this the only transaction that you found linking
- 5 | the bitcoin addresses on the Silk Road servers to the
- 6 defendant's -- the addresses on the defendant's laptop, or were
- 7 | there others?
- 8 A. No. There were almost 4,000 unique transactions from Silk
- 9 Road Marketplace to the addresses that were found on the
- 10 defendant's laptop.
- 11 | Q. So could you please flip in your binder to what's been
- 12 | marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 620.
- Do you recognize this exhibit?
- 14 A. Yes, I do.
- 15 | Q. And what is this exhibit?
- 16 A. This is a list of all the transactions that I was
- 17 | successfully able to identify.
- 18 Q. Did you participate in the creation of this exhibit?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Does this exhibit accurately summarize information from the
- 21 | bitcoin addresses that you found -- that you reviewed from
- 22 | wallets found on the Silk Road servers and the defendant's
- 23 | computer?
- 24 | A. Yes.

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Q. Does this exhibit accurately summarize information that you

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retrieved from the block chain regarding bitcoin transactions? 1 2 A. Yes. 3 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit 620. 4 MR. DRATEL: Objection, your Honor. Crawford, 5 foundation, hearsay. 6 7 THE COURT: All right. Those objections are overruled. Government Exhibit 620 is received. 8 9 (Government's Exhibit 620 received in evidence) 10 BY MR. HOWARD: 11 Q. So, Mr. Yum, what was the date range of the transactions 12 that you located? 13 A. The first transaction occurred in September 24th, 2012, and 14 the latest transaction I was able to identify was August 21st, 2013. 15 Q. And were the transactions spread across -- the thousands of 16 transactions were spread across that time period? 17 18 A. Right. It was spread across almost all of that entire 19 one-year span. 20 MR. HOWARD: So, Mr. Evert, could you just go to the top, please. Just zoom in on the first few rows. 21 22 Q. Could you just describe what is depicted here? 23 So it is a simplified version of all the screenshots that

you saw before, prior. So that's -- the first column is there

is the time stamp, the time that this transaction was included

onto the block chain. The second column there is the unique transaction ID that you could locate, pinpoint to the exact transaction that's happened. So behind those transactions you would actually see the addresses that are used to send bitcoins to another receiving address, but you could easily also refer to those two transactions by that transaction ID.

And the last column there, that's all the bitcoins that were involved in that transaction that ended up in the wallets found on bitcoin addresses found on the defendant's laptop.

- Q. So to be clear, Mr. Yum, you could put that unique transaction number into the block chain on the website to get the addresses that were involved in the transaction?
- A. Correct.

- Q. And those addresses matched the addresses that you found on the Silk Road servers and the defendant's laptop?
- A. Yes.
- MR. HOWARD: Can we just scroll to the bottom of the chart.
  - (Indicating)
- MR. HOWARD: This is page 64 of the exhibit. Could you zoom in on the bottom.
- $\parallel$  Q. And so the total was 700,253.91 bitcoins, is that correct?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 | Q. Now, Mr. Yum, can you please flip in your binder to what's

been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit
620C.

What is this?

- 4 A. It appears to be a price index from a website coindesk.com.
- 5 It shows the date and the closing price of the bitcoins in U.S.
- 6 dollar amount.
  - Q. According to coindesk?
- 8 A. According to coindesk.
- 9 Q. Is that information available on a public website?
- 10 A. Yes.

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- 11 Q. Now, is coindesk widely recognized and used by the bitcoin
- 12 community for bitcoin pricing?
- 13 A. Yes, not only bitcoin pricing but other data and news and
- 14 | information about bitcoins.
- 15 | Q. Now, based on your knowledge of the bitcoin community,
- 16 | would you agree that the reputation of coindesk carries some
- 17 | weight and is recognized as accurate in the community?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Does this exhibit accurately summarize pricing information
- 20 | for bitcoins from coindesk?
- 21 A. Yes, it does.
- 22 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 23 620C.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- THE COURT: Received.

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(Government's Exhibit 620C received in evidence) THE COURT: We're going to -- Mr. Howard, in about three minutes we are going to break for lunch. Can you just briefly explain what is depicted here? A. So on the left column it has the date of these records. On the right column it has the end-of-the-day closing price of bitcoins, represented in U.S. dollar amounts, for each corresponding date. Q. Now, could you please flip in your binder to what's been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 620A. What is this exhibit? It is a summary spreadsheet of the analysis that I conducted. Did you participate in the creation of this exhibit? Α. Yes. Q. Does the exhibit accurately summarize information from the bitcoin addresses you reviewed from bitcoin wallets found on the Silk Road servers and on the defendant's computer? A. Yes, it does. Q. Does the exhibit accurately summarize information from the block chain regarding bitcoin transactions? A. Yes. The government offers Government Exhibit MR. HOWARD: 620A.

MR. DRATEL: Objection. The same grounds, your Honor.

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THE COURT: All right. Those objections are overruled. Government Exhibit 620A is received.

(Government's Exhibit 620A received in evidence)

MR. HOWARD: Can we zoom in on the top, please.

- Q. Mr. Yum, could you please describe what's depicted in this chart?
- A. Yes. So it's a monthly summary breakdown of all the transactions that took place between addresses found on Silk Road Marketplace sending bitcoins to the addresses found on the defendant's laptop.

So the span, again, starts from September 2012 all the way down to August 2013. And for each month the second column shows you the number of transactions that were conducted. The third column shows you how many bitcoins in those transactions were sent from Silk Road Marketplace to the addresses found on the defendant's laptop. And the last column is the, I guess, realtime conversion of U.S. dollar amounts for each one of those dates where the transactions were identified.

- Q. And did you use the coindesk information to convert to U.S. dollars?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. What do you mean by "realtime" conversion?
- A. So I didn't just take one day, let's say -- you were asking
  me before how much bitcoins were at the time of the arrest. I

- didn't use one dollar amount. From the prior exhibit, I took
- 2 | each individual day's closing and matched it to each of the
- 3 | individual day's transactions and correctly calculated how much
- 4 bitcoins were worth at the time of that transaction.
- 5  $\parallel$  Q. So this exhibit reflects that there was a total of \$13
- 6 | million worth of transactions at the time that each transaction
- 7 | took place?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And a total of 700,254 bitcoins received --
- 10 | A. Correct.
- 11 | Q. -- from Silk Road servers to the defendant's laptop
- 12 | wallets?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. And 3,760 transactions, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 | Q. Could you please take a look at 620B in your binder.
- Do you recognize what this is.
- 18 A. Yes, I do.
- 19 Q. And what is this?
- 20 A. It's a pie chart that I created also summarizing an
- 21 analysis that I did.
- 22 | Q. Did you participate in the creation of this exhibit?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- 24 | Q. Does this exhibit accurately summarize information from the
- 25 | bitcoin addresses you reviewed from wallets found on the Silk

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Road servers and the defendant's computer? 1 2 Α. Yes. Q. And does it accurately summarize information from the block 3 chain regarding bitcoin transactions? 4 A. Yes. 5 6 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit 7 620B. MR. DRATEL: The same objections, your Honor. 8 9 THE COURT: All right. Those objections are 10 overruled. 620B is received. (Government's Exhibit 620B received in evidence) 11 12 Mr. Yum, could you please explain what is depicted here? 13 So you see a pie chart in there, and the biggest, red part Α. 14 has the 700,254 bitcoins that I correctly identified coming from Silk Road Marketplace and being transferred to the 15 addresses found on the defendant's laptop. 16 17 I didn't stop there. I went back and analyzed all the addresses on the defendant's laptop. And I've also found 18 89,000 other bitcoins that were sent to the addresses that were 19 20 found on the defendant's laptop. 21 So to, I guess, give you a summary of what I just 22 said, the defendant's -- addresses found on the defendant's 23 laptop received a total of almost 790,000 bitcoins, and out of

that 88 -- almost 89 percent were bitcoins that were

transferred from the Silk Road Marketplace directly to the

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1	defendant's laptop in the amount of 700,254 bitcoins.
2	Q. When you say "directly," you mean one-to-one transfers,
3	correct?
4	A. One-to-one transfers.
5	So that 89,854, it could have came from other sources
6	but it could have also
7	MR. DRATEL: Objection.
8	THE COURT: Sustained.
9	MR. HOWARD: This might be a natural breaking point,
10	your Honor.
11	THE COURT: All right. Ladies and gentlemen, we're
12	going to take our lunch break now and come back at 2 o'clock.
13	I want to remind you all not to talk to each other or
14	anybody else about this case. And, also, if you see any news
15	articles about this case, you are to not read those news
16	articles. Turn away your eyes. All right? I instruct you to
17	do so.
18	Thank you. We'll see you after lunch.
19	THE CLERK: All rise as the jury leaves.
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1 (Jury not present) THE COURT: You may step down. Have lunch until 2 3 2 o'clock. I will see you back on the stand at 2. (Witness not present) 4 5 THE COURT: All right, ladies and gentlemen. Let's all be seated. 6 7 I wanted to make certain that we addressed the two exhibits and I have one other matter and then whatever else you 8 9 folks would like to address before we break for lunch 10 ourselves. There were objections by Mr. Dratel to Government 11 Exhibits 620 and 620A on Crawford, which I take it, Mr. Dratel, 12 13 was because of an argument that we discussed yesterday 14 afternoon of insufficient notice? 15 MR. DRATEL: No. It is really about the underlying -in other words, you have a couple of preliminary steps in 16 17 Mr. Yum's analysis. Then you have an intermediate step and then you have a final step, and we don't know how we get from 18 the intermediate step to the final step. 19 20 THE COURT: You can take him through that on 21 cross-examination. 22 MR. DRATEL: I understand. But there is no foundation

for it, and I believe that it is probably something that creates a Crawford confrontation issue, similar to other sort of scientific or computerized issues, where something is done

and then someone comes in and presents something that is essentially the work of a computer program and it is not -- you know, it hasn't been verified. You know, I don't know what his relationship is with the program. We don't know any of that.

We don't have any underlying stuff as to how it was done. It is not a simple process, and I don't think it was done manually.

THE COURT: Was that the nature of your *Crawford* objection both for 620 and 620A?

MR. DRATEL: Yes, your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. So at this point I don't find there to be any traction to that objection and so it was overruled before. If after cross-examination you have some basis to renew the application, then you can go ahead and do so. See what you want, what you can develop on cross-examination. You are certainly entitled to go into all aspects of how he performed this exercise.

MR. DRATEL: And with respect to the notice, your Honor, my application would be, again, to put off the cross until Monday morning so that we can absorb stuff that we were actually hearing for the first time about a document that has, as you can see now, an extraordinary number of transactions. There is zero backup. Zero anything for it. We have been trying to develop what we can but we still need more time to do that.

THE COURT: When you say that there is zero backup, zero anything, my understanding from our conversation yesterday afternoon was that all of this information, which is the very information at the heart of this case, was produced during discovery.

Mr. Howard.

MR. HOWARD: That's correct. On Sunday night we provided the spreadsheets --

THE COURT: Let's go back first to what was --

MR. DRATEL: The analysis, how the analysis was done.

THE COURT: Mr. Dratel, let me just make sure I have got the facts in order.

Tell me when and what was produced that underlies this analysis during the discovery.

MR. HOWARD: Yes. For almost a year now, the defendant has had access to images of his laptop and the various servers where these log files were contained, including what's been referred to as the Philadelphia backup server and the Iceland bitcoin server. Those images included all of these bitcoin wallets and the private keys for those wallets, which is the same images the witness just talked about. Based on that, all of this information, all of the bitcoin addresses were stored in those wallet files that have been available to the defendant for over a year.

THE COURT: All right. And then, as I understand it

from our conversation just before we all adjourned last night, the analysis that is at 620 and the summary of that, where the comparison was done, that analysis was performed during the course of this trial and was produced on Sunday; is that right?

MR. HOWARD: Yes, you are right, your Honor. And within a couple of hours of actually us receiving the spreadsheets that had all the data in them and, you know, the much more complicated and much more voluminous than the summary charts that we're pushing into evidence, but that was produced promptly to the defense as soon as we had them generated.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Dratel.

MR. DRATEL: A couple of things. One is they had it, too. So why are we getting this in week three of trial if they had all of this information before as well? Why did they prepare this analysis — they've only started once the trial started.

THE COURT: Well, as I understand it, this all went back to your opening statement.

MR. DRATEL: Yes. But what I'm saying is to say that we had all the wallets and the addresses is immaterial in the sense that they had it too. If they wanted to put together an exhibit that linked all of that, they should have done it in advance of trial, not -- and they've done it during trial, OK, but I should have the opportunity -- this witness, it took more than a hundred hours to prepare this analysis. I've had it for

maybe 80, not including the time in court and sleeping and doing all the other stuff that needs to be done in this case. So it's really no time at all. This witness took a hundred hours. They got paid \$55,000 for this.

THE COURT: Well, the objections are overruled, as
I've said. And in terms of timing, we will go into
cross-examination right after the government is done with its
direct examination with this witness.

The materials that underlie the analysis were produced long ago. Based upon the opening statement and based upon one of the theories of the defense, which is that the defendant was a bitcoin trader and that any bitcoins in his possession were from bitcoin trading, it was reasonable to expect that you yourself had done such an analysis and, therefore, that you had some intention of presenting something that would have shown the opposite. In any event, you've opened the door to it, and we're going to proceed. And the fact that the government adjusted and was able to do so is not something that is particularly problematic or unusual. So that's my ruling on that.

So we'll proceed with cross-examination with this witness after lunch.

MR. DRATEL: Your Honor, what I'm asking for, in functional terms, is a two-and-a-half hour accommodation so that I can prepare a proper cross-examination of this witness.

THE COURT: I have heard your application, and we're going to go directly into the cross-examination of this witness. If you --

MR. DRATEL: Then I am making a notice objection to the entirety of that level of his testimony --

THE COURT: The objection is overruled. I think you've got your position well and truly stated on the record.

If you have any additional positions you want to state, you can file it in a letter on the docket.

In terms of hearsay, there is no hearsay issue with these documents, and certainly the foundation was well established for these. So those objections are similarly overruled.

Mr. Howard, would you like to address or fill out the record in any regard yourself?

MR. HOWARD: Yes, your Honor.

The fact is, as you correctly stated, this door was opened by the defense during their opening statement. They made a claim about the source of the bitcoins that were recovered from the defendant's wallet files. In response to that, we performed an analysis with the help of outside consultants. As soon as that analysis was ready, we produced the underlying data to the defense. We produced some summary charts today in court.

It should be noted that there was some time that was

required to produce the analysis, but at the end of the day it is all based on public records showing one-to-one connections between bitcoin addresses. It is not anything very complicated. The time was spent on just getting the process to get that together.

THE COURT: All right. If either party has any additional positions that they would like to state on this that they want to put in by letter -- obviously, you can't raise new issues -- that you haven't had a full chance to air just now, file something for tomorrow morning.

In terms of I had more issue, which is Juror No. 4. We have heard back from Juror No. 4's employer, and they are not — it is disappointing, they are not willing to accommodate the issue with Juror No. 4.

So the issue is as follows: She is required to begin taking vacation time after tomorrow -- after Monday.

Am I right?

THE CLERK: Yes.

THE COURT: Monday is the day, her timing where her company will allow her just the time.

Now, she does not know that we have heard back, because I wanted to talk about this with you folks and determine how you believe we should proceed. Obviously, there are a couple of different things that we can do, one of which is just -- I think it is fair to tell her that we've heard back

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and that we understand that there is not going to be an accommodation. I need to understand from you folks whether that should be done in the robing room or at sidebar, you know, with you folks, or whether or not Joe can just convey that simple message: We've heard back from her employer. We understand that they are not going to alter the manner in which they previously told her they were going to proceed.

Separately from that, I don't think we should solicit whether or not she is going to now raise a hardship issue and seek to be dismissed. I think that we should wait and see what she does and then respond step-by-step accordingly. It may be that she is prepared to take vacation time. She did present this issue to us, but I don't have any indication that she -- I don't know one way or the other. So I would just leave that. See what the response is next.

One thing that I think would be helpful in that regard would be to give the jury some sense as to where we are with things with lots of room around the edges in case things change. But we've got one government witness left after Mr. Yum, who is expected to take likely less than a day, and then after that we'll be into the next phase. So that's my proposal.

So let me just summarize. We would convey to Juror

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F1tdulb4 vacation time thinking that maybe there is some accommodation that had been made. So we should tell her that we've heard back. Leave that. And then I would propose at the end of the day to assess with you folks at our afternoon break where we are in terms of timing and schedule and then give the jury just some sense as to where we are going. Mr. Howard. MR. HOWARD: That sounds acceptable to the government. THE COURT: Mr. Dratel. MR. DRATEL: The only thing I have a position on right now is that any communication should be with the Court and the I think that would be the appropriate way to do it in the robing room and that the communication be on that level. THE COURT: And by that you mean, with the Court, you mean without --

MR. DRATEL: When she is informed. I think it is appropriate, based on case law and everything, that the Court informs the juror.

THE COURT: Right. My question to you is do you want to be present for that?

MR. DRATEL: Yes.

THE COURT: Fine.

MR. DRATEL: Because she may respond right there.

THE COURT: Right. I mean, that's always possible.

Obviously, if she did and it were just a communication with me,

I would not communicate back without conferring with you. And I would receive the communication, indicate to her that I needed to proceed with counsel. But we would proceed, believe me, very carefully.

I'm happy, though, Mr. Dratel to have you folks -what I would suggest is that we just do it in the robing room
just before we resume. And the question then is is the
defendant willing to waive his appearance for that session?

MR. DRATEL: Yes, your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

Then that's what we'll do in terms of informing her.

What's your view on the rest of it? Sort of take it as it comes?

MR. DRATEL: Well, I'm not sure as to whether, if she doesn't respond, whether it is appropriate to have some brief voir dire about impact on her. I'm not sure. Can I think about that?

THE COURT: Why don't you think about it. Why don't we then resume ourselves and at least we can resume -- we will need the defendant for this -- as to how you would like to proceed with her at 1:45.

So I need the marshals to make sure that Mr. Ulbricht is back at 1:45. Will that be all right? Yes. I'm getting a nod of the head. Thank you.

So at 1:45 we'll resume and then we'll figure out if

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               THE COURT: Mr. Dratel?
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               MR. DRATEL: No.
               THE COURT: We're adjourned.
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               THE CLERK: All rise.
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## AFTERNOON SESSION

1:51 p.m.

(Jury not present)

THE COURT: All right. Let's all be seated.

And the purpose for resuming at this point was to see whether or not, Mr. Dratel, you had any additional questions you would like me to ask of Juror No. 4 basically before she expresses anything, or if she expresses something, you know, if you have any views.

MR. DRATEL: Well, I guess if she doesn't express anything, I'm not sure there is any need to go further. But if she does express any anxiety about the time, we should probably ask what the impact would be on her.

THE COURT: All right. The way I would word it is would using her vacation time make her unable to be fair in this case. We'll see what she says. It could go in a variety of directions at that point.

Mr. Howard, Mr. Turner, do you have anything else that you would like the Court to ask?

MR. TURNER: I just think it might be worth noting how much longer the trial is expected to continue.

THE COURT: All right. So in that regard, it's I think relatively straightforward for me to say that the government's case is likely to end on Monday and then we're going to get into the defense case. Actually, I can just be

vague and say we're -- you know, I don't want to commit to a particular timeframe, but we're far along in this case and I would think that this would be done in a week or shortly thereafter.

It's going to take, I think, if, Mr. Dratel, depending on the length of his case, it's going to take at least until Wednesday midday, I think, and that's if the defendant doesn't testify. If the defendant does testify, that could take Wednesday, Thursday -- you know, I want to let that run its natural course. And so I don't want to commit us with a juror.

By the way, once we've previewed the timing to the juror, I will need to tell the rest of the panel that as well when they come out. So I don't want to commit. So it's something that's sort of like we'll be done next week because we may well not be done next week. We may be done with the testimony next week but it is hard for me to predict and she can't predict how long deliberations will take. You know, they've got a number of counts.

So I would say that we are far -- you know, without committing, we're far along in this case and I hope to be able to give you another update. And then once we know from Mr. Dratel how long his case is going to be, we can maybe on Monday give them a further update.

How does that sound, "far along," using that phrase?

MR. TURNER: That sounds good to the government.

MR. DRATEL: Yes, your Honor.

THE COURT: Mr. Turner, is there anything you want me to say more specifically, or Mr. Howard, than "far along"?

MR. TURNER: No. Thank you, your Honor.

THE COURT: I would love to say that we are likely to have the case go to the jury on Thursday, but I don't want to do that because we may not.

MR. TURNER: I understand. The witness may have a question and I just want to make sure --

THE COURT: All right. Well, I would actually preview this to her when I — if she says anything like, oh, that's really too bad — if she says something like, oh, that's really too bad, then I think I would say is it going to affect your ability to be fair in this case that you are going to have to use your vacation time and see what she says. And then after that I could say, well, at least I can tell you that, you know, we're very far along in this case. OK?

All right. So, Joe, do we know if she is here?

THE CLERK: She is not here yet.

THE COURT: She is not here yet.

All right. So as soon as she gets in, we'll pick up with her in my robing room. So Joe will bring you folks in first. So stay in the vicinity. Don't leave. And with the court reporter. And then we'll pick up as soon as we're done with her. We'll just take a couple of minutes with her. All

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right? 1 2 MR. TURNER: Your Honor, I just wanted to note that --3 picking up from our conversation this morning about the jury 4 instructions --5 THE COURT: Yes. MR. TURNER: -- that I was incorrect about the 6 7 "organizer" language. That does not come from a Second Circuit case. It comes from multiple other circuits that I can provide 8 9 the Court with the citations, if you would like, an hour later. 10 THE COURT: Why don't you just state -- don't give me 11 the names, just give me the citations for those. It will make 12 it a little faster. 13 MR. TURNER: Sure. 885 F.2d 195, the Fourth Circuit; 14 965 F.2d 1390, the Sixth Circuit; 843 F.2d 421, the Tenth Circuit; 734 F.2d 1030, that's Fifth Circuit --15 THE COURT: I'm sorry. 734? 16 17 MR. TURNER: F.2d 1030 is a Fifth Circuit. THE COURT: Right. 18 MR. TURNER: And then there is an NDNY case that 19 20 cites, as well, 912 F.Supp. 655. There is also a related 21 Seventh Circuit case --22 THE COURT: That is not F.Supp.2d, it is F.Supp? 23 MR. TURNER: F.Supp.

THE COURT: All right. Let me just ask you whether or not the Second Circuit has had the question presented to them

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               THE CLERK: All rise.
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              MR. TURNER: Who is the juror's employer?
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               THE COURT: Come on in.
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               THE COURT: Just have a seat. I'm sorry.
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               THE COURT: I'm sorry for the formality of all of us,
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but we have to do things on the record all the time. 1 2 JUROR NO. 4: Yes. THE COURT: And I wanted to let you know that we have 3 heard back from your employer, and they're not willing to 4 5 change what they've said is the policy that they have about the 6 vacation time. We pushed back and they have just expressed an 7 unwillingness to do it. So I wanted to let you know that. That is the purpose for having you in. 8 9 JUROR NO. 4: Oh. 10 THE COURT: All right? 11 JUROR NO. 4: OK. THE COURT: And so if -- one thing I can tell you is 12 13 that we are relatively far in and far along in this case. 14 JUROR NO. 4: It feels that way, yeah. 15 THE COURT: So, you know, if you have any other concerns, you are to let us know. 16 17 JUROR NO. 4: In terms of relatively, I mean, is 18 anybody able to say --THE COURT: You know, we'll have I think a better view 19 20 on this Monday. 21 JUROR NO. 4: Mm-hmm. 22 THE COURT: But the problem is, here's the issue. 23 JUROR NO. 4: Right. 24 THE COURT: Things are pretty uncertain. If I tell 25 you one timeframe, I told you it could be as soon as the end of

next week, that could end up being wrong and it could go on for a week beyond that. And if it is going to make a huge difference, then I don't want to have you get your sights set on a particular timeframe because you don't know how long you and your colleagues are going to want to deliberate and it is just going to be --

JUROR NO. 4: Yeah.

THE COURT: So there is always with trial a certain amount of uncertainty.

JUROR NO. 4: OK. Then I'm just curious, you know, because I did Google that, you know, can your employer actually do this, you know, require that you use vacation time for jury service. And according to the newyorkstate.gov website, no, they can't. So I'm just idly curious to know, you know, all well and good if this is what they put in the employee handbook, but how is that possible or where is the disconnect there?

THE COURT: You know, I don't know and I haven't looked at that website. But this is the federal system so I don't know if there is a difference there.

But we checked with our jury department when this first came up, and the reaction we got -- and they face questions like this fairly frequently -- is if it's disclosed in the employee handbook and it's there and it's been there and it is not just for you for this case, then --

JUROR NO. 4: It's tough.

THE COURT: -- that's the way it is.

Now, I haven't done an independent investigation of that. We'll look at it again just to sort of be sure so that I can look underneath it if you've seen something.

Let me ask you, are you going to be able to be fair in this case if you have to use vacation time? Is it going to be a problem for you?

JUROR NO. 4: No, that wouldn't be a problem. I mean, it just gets to be -- of course, since I went into work on a snow day when the office was technically closed, I get an extra vacation day. It's these little things, but it does obviously come down to like how many more witnesses we have, and I know that there is a wildcard there. So, you know, yes, I wouldn't want to, you know, blow my entire bank. I mean, it is reasonably generous but, still, I've got kids, you know.

THE COURT: If at any point in time you believe that you are unable to be fair in this case because of that, you should definitely let us know, and we'll then talk with you at that time about it. And I'll try to give you and the rest of the jury panel an update on timing and give you something a little more concrete. Even if you can't predict length of deliberations, etc., if you have a sense of when the end of the case is going to be, that might help you some in your own mind to gain some comfort. So we need to sort of all talk about

that. OK?

JUROR NO. 4: Yeah. Then is the only way for me to then get off is to claim that it would cloud my judgment? I mean, even if it wouldn't. I mean, I wouldn't want to -- (Laughter)

THE COURT: You are speaking like a human being. Let me just say that whenever a juror feels like there is something external that is causing them to be unable to be fair, it's of real concern to us and we need to explore it fully. We would press you hard on it and because, you know, jury selection here, as you know, it was complicated and you guys filled out a questionnaire. You were accepted because of each juror's individual qualifications. We want the jurors that have been selected for this group, but we want you also to be able to be fair. And if something is clouding that, we need to know.

JUROR NO. 4: OK. Yeah, I mean, I had no idea -- I mean, while -- the classic thing, you know, like you are handed a wrap of paper, you know, in HR and you sign it, you know, you are giving me the employee handbook, have you read this, you know. So, I mean, I had no idea that that was actually the policy. And, anyway, you know, and having been selected for jury duty two other times, it is like what are the chances that I actually get it this time. So, anyway.

THE COURT: Once you have been selected twice, your chances are pretty high. That means there is something about

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               JUROR NO. 4: Was it just me, though? I mean, how
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               THE COURT: Let the record reflects laughter.
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               JUROR NO. 4: So you're saying I would have to then
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              THE COURT: Then come back to us. All right?
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              JUROR NO. 4: OK.
              THE COURT: We do need to question you. That is just
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               JUROR NO. 4: Right.
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JUROR NO. 4: In my --
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              JUROR NO. 4: In my allotted time, right.
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               THE COURT: You should count yourself and make sure
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              JUROR NO. 4: Thank you.
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               THE COURT: We are off the record. Actually, stay on
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      should do at this time?
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              MR. DRATEL: No, your Honor.
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MR. TURNER: No. I don't think so, your Honor. THE COURT: All right. Then let's go off the record and we will then head on out. (Continued on next page) 

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(In open court; jury present) 1 2 THE COURT: Let's all be seated. Thank you. I wanted as a housekeeping matter, to give you folks a 3 sense of where we are in the case. We are what I would 4 characterize as far along in the case. I don't want to be 5 6 anymore specific than that right now because things can 7 fluctuate some. I'm going to try very hard to give you a better sense of where we are on Monday. Right now, I just 8 wanted to use those words to sort of give you a general sense 9 10 of where we are in the case, all right. 11 Thank you. Let's continue with Mr. Yum. 12 Mr. Howard. 13 MR. HOWARD: Thank you, your Honor. 14 DIRECT EXAMINATION 15 BY MR. HOWARD: Good afternoon, Mr. Yum. 16 17 A. Good afternoon. MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can we please go back to page 18 one of Government Exhibit 608 that was admitted for 19 20 demonstrative purposes. 21 I just want to clarify a couple things about bitcoin log 22 files real briefly. 23 A. Sure. 24 Q. Earlier you testified a bitcoin wallet can contain multiple 25 bitcoin addresses, correct?

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- Q. Can each bitcoin address only contain one bitcoin or can it contain many bitcoins?
  - A. It can contain many bitcoins and you can use it in multiple transactions.
    - Q. In fact, earlier you testified that you moved the 144,000 bitcoins from the defendant's wallet file to one FBI bitcoin address, correct?
  - A. Correct. So in that instance, I had to create a wallet file for the government and in that wallet file create one address, the address that was depicted before starting 1FfmbH.

    And to that to that one single address, I made over 400 transactions in increments of somewhere around 300 bitcoins.

    So that whole 144,000 bitcoins all went to one single address.

    So you could reuse the same address over and over or create multiple addresses and spend it or send it how ever you want
    - MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can we please go to page four of Exhibit 609, which was also admitted for demonstrative purposes.
    - Q. Mr. Yum, earlier you testified that as part of your analysis, you were focusing on simply one-to-one transactions, correct?
- 24 A. Correct.

between all the addresses.

Q. Can you explain a little bit more what that's about.

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A. Yes. So perhaps I could use an analogy where your wallet is kind of similar to — if you put it simply, it's like your own personal bank, so you don't have to work with any financial institution. Your wallet contains the addresses which kind of works like your bank accounts. So wallet is your bank and you can open up as many bank accounts that you want.

So in here, all the wallets that were found on Silk Road Marketplace, the Silk Road Marketplace created all these different addresses and each one of these addresses would be similar to a bank account. And on the right side, the defendant's laptop contained wallet files with all these addresses. So his wallet, his bank, contained all these different accounts that could receive bitcoins.

So, the analysis that I did, I didn't do any complicated analysis. It was very — it was a very simple direct one—to—one transfer. So if I have a bank account and I want to wire somebody else money, all I'm doing is wiring — using my bank to wire—transfer money directly to someone else's bank account.

So the analysis that I did was wire transfers that occurred straight from Silk Road Marketplace directly to the bank — to the accounts that were found on the defendant's laptop.

Q. And to be clear, all of that information is publicly available on the block chain, correct?

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A. Right. So the beauty of bitcoin is the block chain contains every single transaction that's occurred in the history of bitcoin. So if this was actually a bank, we would have to figure out what the bank is and subpoena the bank to get the bank transaction records.

In this case, block chain is on the Internet every —by all the bitcoin users, so I could reliably go to this block chain and get the same results that I would normally have to request the bank to provide the transaction records.

- Q. So now, let's go back to Government Exhibit 620B, please, which is where we left off before the lunch break.
- A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Mr. Yum, what does the entire pie here represent?
- 14 A. The entire pie is all the transactions that came to the addresses found on the defendant's laptop.
- 16 | Q. And what does the red area depict?
  - A. The red area -- out of all the bitcoins that the defendant's laptop received, the red area came directly -- straight wire transfer from the accounts that are found on the Silk Road Marketplace.
- Q. And those are the one-to-one transactions you were talking about?
- 23 A. The one-to-one transactions.
- 24 | Q. What does the blue area represent?
- 25 A. The blue area is everything that is not a one-to-one

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- transaction. So the defendant's wallet file received those 89,854 bitcoins and I can't link that directly back to Silk Road Marketplace.

  Q. So if Silk Road wallets were used to send bitcoins to an address that was not in the defendant's laptop file and then it
  - MR. DRATEL: Objection.
- THE COURT: Sustained.

was transferred --

- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish Government Exhibit 601, which is already in evidence.
- Q. Mr. Yum, did you do any analysis of transactions that went from the Silk Road servers to Ross Ulbricht's laptop that were not one-to-one transactions?
  - MR. DRATEL: Objection.
- 15 THE COURT: Hold on.
- MR. DRATEL: Objection to form.
- 17 THE COURT: I'll allow it.
- 18 You may answer.
- 19 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat the question.
- Q. Did you do any analysis of transactions from the Silk Road server bitcoin addresses to the Ross Ulbricht laptop addresses that were not one-to-one transactions?
- 23 A. No, I did not.
- Q. So Mr. Yum, Government Exhibit 601 is a screenshot of the block chain we discussed earlier, correct?

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- 2 MR. HOWARD: Could we zoom in on the bottom-two 3 transactions here, Mr. Evert.
  - Q. Did you do any further analysis of these two transactions?
- 5 A. Yes, I did.
- 6 | Q. And generally what did you do?
- 7 A. I looked at all the addresses, the accounts that are making
- 8 | this transfer. The one on the bottom is 1,670 bitcoins. The
- 9 | four addresses you see on the left were used to send that 1,670
- 10 | bitcoins to that address on the right starting 1MwvS1.
- 11 | Similarly, the transaction on top, there are three bitcoin
- 12 | addresses accounts that sent 3,000 bitcoins to that same
- 13 | address starting 1MwvS1.
- 14 Q. And what specifically did you look into regarding these
- 15 | transactions?
- 16 A. I checked to see if I could locate any of these addresses
- 17 | on the left, three from the top, four from the bottom, and
- 18 | those addresses were found within the list of addresses, list
- 19 of accounts that I located on the defendant's laptop.
- 20 | Q. Could you please take a look at what's been marked in your
- 21 | binder as 631 -- 630 and 631 for identification purposes. Do
- 22 you recognize these exhibits?
- 23 | A. Yes, I do.
- 24 | Q. What are these exhibits?
- 25 A. It's a series of screenshots that I put together to explain

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- 1 | a transaction.
- 2 Q. Were those the transactions we just described on the block
- 3 | chain?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Did you participate in the creation of these exhibits?
- 6 A. Yes, I did.
- 7 | Q. Are they a true and accurate screenshots of the bitcoin
- 8 address list taken from the defendant's laptop as well as the
- 9 | bitcoin address list from -- sorry -- just from the laptop,
- 10 | correct?
- 11 A. Just from the laptop.
- 12 | Q. And does it also include a true and accurate screenshot
- 13 | from the block chain?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 16 | Exhibit 630 and 631.
- 17 MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 18 THE COURT: Received.
- 19 (Government's Exhibits 630, 631 received in evidence)
- 20 MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish
- 21 Government Exhibit 630.
- 22 | Q. Mr. Yum, can you please describe what is depicted here.
- 23 A. So I want to start with the screenshot up top up here.
- 24 | That is a screenshot segment of this transaction you see appear
- 25 | identify with transaction ID 4a0a5b. Block chain info, if you

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look at that transaction, it shows on March 31, 2013, these four addresses sent 1,670 bitcoins to this address on the right beginning with 1MwvS1.

So my interest was the addresses on the left. I took each one of those addresses and compared it against the list of addresses that I got from the defendant's laptop and every single one of those were found within the addresses acquired from the defendant's laptop.

- Q. Were the private keys for those four addresses on the defendant's laptop found on the defendant's laptop?
- A. Right. I'm able to get this list of addresses because I have access to the entire wallet, which includes the private keys.

So private keys are essentially — it's like a password or a key allowing you to access the bitcoins that are linked to these public addresses. It allows me to figure out what this public address is and also the keys allow the user to spend the bitcoins in those addresses the way they want, how ever they want.

- Q. So to be clear, the addresses on the left-hand side of the column, you identified as being addresses on the defendant's laptop, correct?
- A. Correct.
- Q. So what does this show overall about this transaction?
- A. It shows that the defendant's lap -- that the wallet file

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on the defendant's laptop made the transaction that's shown up top. So this 1,670 bitcoins came from the wallet files of the defendant's laptop and it was sent to this address.

MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish Government Exhibit 631.

- Q. Is this a diagram depicting the other transaction in the block chain?
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- Q. Can you please describe what is depicted here.
- A. Again, to start from the top, this is the detail of this
  transaction ID e7db524, which was documented on the block chain
  on March -- 2013, April 8. And again, there's three addresses,
  three accounts that made the transaction the amount of 3,000
- 14 bitcoins to the address on the right which starts with 1MwvS1.
  - Q. So all these three of those addresses were also found, on the left, were also found on the defendant's laptop?
    - A. Right. I took each one of those addresses and I compared it against the list of bitcoin addresses, bitcoin accounts that were located on the defendant's laptop and I was able to successfully find all three of them.
- Q. So like Government Exhibit 630, does this demonstrate that this transaction occurred out of the wallet found on the defendant's laptop?
- A. Right. The wallet file, the important thing is it holds
  the private key that allows the user to be able to send these

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bitcoins. So all three of the addresses were found on the

defendant's' laptop and the wallet file had the private keys

allowing this transfer to happen from the bitcoins that are

contained in the wallet.

MR. HOWARD: I think I'm concluding. Let me just check with cocounsel and I'm done. Two more questions.

- Q. So this is separate from the analysis we were looking at before that was comparing bitcoins sent from the Silk Road servers to the defendant's laptop, correct?
- A. Correct.
- Q. And so these are transfers that occurred from the defendant's laptop, not to the defendant's laptop, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
  - MR. HOWARD: No further questions.
- 15 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 16 Mr. Dratel.
- MR. DRATEL: Thank you, your Honor.
- 18 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 19 BY MR. DRATEL:
  - Q. Mr. Yum, the analysis that you spent on the bitcoin wallet analysis that you've been talking about for the latter part of your testimony, you began that within the last two weeks?
- 23 A. A little less than two weeks.
- 24 | Q. And you said you worked with one other person on it?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- 1 Q. Who was that?
- 2 A. It's a colleague of mine.
- 3 Q. And what is his name?
- 4 A. Mathew Edmond.
- 5 | Q. And what's his -- what are his credentials?
- 6 A. He has a doctorate in cryptology.
- 7 | Q. What did he do as part of this project?
- 8 A. He worked with me to identify the wallets, extract the
- 9 bitcoin addresses, and compare that to the block chain.
- 10 Q. Did he do that actual work?
- 11 A. We both did.
- 12 Q. So he did some of that work?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Correct?
- 15 How many hours did he put into that?
- 16 A. We both worked on it for about a week together, so I think
- 17 | we're a little short of 100 hours. He put in about 60. I put
- 18 | in about 40.
- 19 Q. And what were his contributions to Government Exhibit 620
- 20 which is the spreadsheet, the large spreadsheet with all of the
- 21 | transactions. Right, isn't that the --
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | O. So what's his contribution to that?
- 24 A. He assisted me in obtaining the underlying raw information
- 25 for that summary.

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- 1 | Q. And how was that exhibit created?
- 2 A. That one? I believe I just summarized the Excel file, so
- 3 | that's an Excel spreadsheet. I took all of the raw data and
- 4 created a summary chart on Excel.
- 5 | Q. But in terms of the matching, did you use any software to
- 6 match the transactions?
- 7 A. Oh, the actual analysis?
- 8 | Q. Yes.
- 9 A. Yeah, we loaded all the information onto a table and did a
- 10 | query on that table to find the matching transactions.
- 11 | Q. And what program?
- 12 A. I believe the actual matching was done through Python.
- 13 Q. And what is Python?
- 14 A. Python. It's a scripting language.
- 15 | Q. Did you have any participation in writing the code for that
- 16 program?
- 17 A. Actual hands-on typing was done by Mr. Edmond, but we both
- 18 sat down to work out the logic.
- 19 Q. But I mean in terms of the program itself, did you create
- 20 | that program?
- 21 A. Oh, no. So the reason why we use Python is there's
- 22 | available software called Pie Wallet, which was also found on
- 23 | the defendant's laptop, it's a common Python application that's
- 24 used to manage bitcoins. So we used commands that are commonly
- 25 used by all the bitcoin users.

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- 1 | Q. And you don't have any notes of the work that you did?
- 2 A. It's back in my office.
  - Q. You do have notes?
- 4 A. Well, the program itself.
- 5 Q. So you have notes of what you went through to accomplish
- 6 | this, right?
- 7 A. It would be the logic within the matching.
- 8 | Q. And it was important for you to have help in this project,
- 9 | right?
- 10 A. In the amount of time that we needed to do the analysis,
- 11 yes.

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- 12 | Q. Well, could a layperson have done it just running off the
- 13 | top of their head?
- 14 A. It may be time-consuming, but every information that we
- 15 | used, well, we had the public addresses for all of the
- 16 defendant's laptop, so that's not available to the public but
- 17 | we have it because the private keys were found in his laptop.
- 18 | Q. But we had someone with a doctorate, correct, in cryptology
- 19 | working on this project with you, right?
- 20 A. Right, it's easy as going to blockchain.info and typing
- 21 | those addresses to see if you could locate a transaction that
- 22 you see --
- 23 | Q. And how long would it take you to type in all of the
- 24 | addresses?
- 25 A. It's time-consuming. That's why we had two people working

on it.

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Q. Figure with two people, you would have done it in a week 2

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- 3 without any of the computer work that you did, without any of
- your knowledge and experience that you bring to the project? 4
- 5 A. As a manual process, no. You can't do that as a manual
- 6 process.
- 7 Q. So then my question is -- withdrawn. So you do have notes
- and a progression of what you did, right? 8
- 9 A. Well, the notes would be the files on the computer where
- 10 this analysis was done.
- 11 Q. Now, when you seized the bitcoins from the servers, right,
- 12 in fact, the FBI didn't even have a protocol for establishing a
- 13 wallet where to put seized bitcoins, right?
- 14 A. Correct.
- Q. You had to create that? 15
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. You talked about the concept of a wallet, right, multiple
- 18 wallets, multiple wallets and multiple addresses within
- wallets, right? 19
- 20 Α. Right.
- 21 You know what I'm talking about. So, you can't tell where Q.
- 22 a particular wallet was created, correct?
- 23 Α. Correct.
- 24 It can move from computer to computer, correct?
- 25 Yes, it can. Α.

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- Q. And you can also move an address from one wallet to another wallet, correct?
  - A. Yes, you can.
- Q. So you can't say how long any of the addresses of the wallets were on Mr. Ulbricht's computer other than the day he
- 6 was arrested, right?
- 7 A. Can you repeat the question.
- 8 Q. Sure. You can't say when other than the day that
- 9 Mr. Ulbricht was arrested or if those wallets or those
- 10 addresses were on that laptop, other than the day he was
- 11 | arrested?
- 12 A. Yes, but there -- the wallet files are computer files in
- 13 | itself. So there is a last-access date of that file. And some
- 14 of them dated prior to the day of the arrest. Some, months
- 15 prior; some, weeks prior.
- 16 Q. Now, also the wallet that the bitcoins were in on
- 17 Mr. Ulbricht's laptop, the 144,000 bitcoins, right --
- 18 | A. Right.
- 19 | Q. -- that was a hot wallet, right, as opposed to a cold
- 20 | storage wallet, right? It had the bitcoin program in it. It
- 21 was a hot wallet by definition, right?
- 22 | A. It's only hot if it's online. And the wallet that
- 23 contained the most number of keys on the defendant's laptop, I
- 24 don't believe that was synchronized to the block chain until
- 25 August.

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Q. I'm not talking about keys. I'm talking about bitcoins themselves.

Bitcoins themselves, the wallets -- the addresses within the wallets that the bitcoin were in, they were basically in one wallet, correct?

- A. The majority came from one wallet.
- Q. Right. And that wallet had a bitcoin program running in it, right?
  - A. Yes, but the program hasn't run since August of 2013, so -- it will be a cold wallet at that point.
  - Q. But isn't a cold wallet where it's not connected to a program where you can actually take the wallet, put it in a file or in a folder or somewhere else on the computer and extract the program -- extract it from the program so that it can't execute any functions, right?
  - A. Well, a cold wallet is something that's not online. So if the wallet's last access date was August 2013, it hasn't been online since August 2013; therefore, from August until October, it's a cold wallet because it never went online.
  - Q. But it still has a program in it, right, and it's still capable of execution?
- A. Right, but it didn't execute because it would have updated that last-access date on the wallet.
- Q. But if someone doesn't use their wallet, it doesn't mean it's a cold wallet; it can still be a hot wallet. You're just

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- 1 | not using it, right?
- 2 A. No, not correct.
- MR. TURNER: Objection; asked and answered.
- 4 THE COURT: I'll allow it.
- 5 A. A hot wallet is a wallet that is currently connected to the
- 6 | Internet.
- 7 Q. At that time? At the very time?
- 8 A. At the very time.
- 9 Q. That's your definition?
- 10 A. Yes, it is.
- 11 Q. Okay. And how many bitcoin cases did you have before this
- 12 one?
- 13 A. This was a second case I believe.
- 14 | Q. Now, you talked about identifying servers and identifying
- 15 | bitcoin server, right, and identifying the servers from the
- 16 | Philadelphia servers, right?
- 17 | A. Right.
- 18 Q. You testified about that. What you saw from the code was
- 19 only an onion address, right? In other words, looking back to
- 20 | find the servers, correct, it wasn't an IP address. It was --
- 21 A. I'm sorry. Which address and which server are you
- 22 | referring to?
- 23 | Q. The server to which the backup data was exported to the
- 24 | jtan -- the Philadelphia server, right?
- 25 A. Correct.

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- From the Iceland server, right? 1
- Α. 2 Yes.
- 3 Q. Now, what you saw there when you're looking to find that is
- an onion address, right, an onion url, dot-onion url, correct? 4
- 5 I was brought onto the case around that time, and I
- 6 received an IP address. And my -- the investigative team,
- 7 before I joined, they were the ones who did the analysis, so I
- can't speak to what allowed me to receive that IP address, but 8
- 9 I received that IP address. Nothing else.
- 10 Q. Now, the servers were first -- you went in October to
- Iceland, correct? 11
- 12 Α. Correct.
- 13 Q. And to be there at the time of the arrest to shut down the
- 14 servers, correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And to put the seizure banner up, we saw at Exhibit 600, 16
- 17 right?
- 18 Α. Right.
- The government had access to the servers -- the U.S. 19
- 20 government had access to the servers in July of 2013, correct?
- That's what I've been told --21
- 22 MR. TURNER: Objection; foundation.
- 23 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 24 Now, isn't it true that a Silk Road user would have
- 25 communications -- withdrawn.

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A Silk Road user would have transactions with the Silk Road wallet, correct, and their own wallets, right?

MR. HOWARD: Objection; beyond the scope.

THE COURT: Overruled.

I'm sorry. Can you clarify.

THE COURT: Let's not make a hypothetical. Why don't you ask him about actual things he may have seen.

MR. DRATEL: Sure.

- Silk Road users, in the context of how the bitcoin server worked on Silk Road, --
- 11 Α. Okay.
- Q. -- Silk Road users, a purchaser of a product off of Silk 12
- 13 Road, would have a wallet on the Silk Road server, correct?
- 14 MR. TURNER: Objection to foundation.
- THE COURT: Overruled. 15
- I don't believe they have a wallet, but they're given an 16 17 address where they could deposit the bitcoins that they 18 personally own.
- Q. Right. And then they could withdraw those bitcoins, 19 20 correct?
- 21 I believe so; yes. Α.
- 22 Q. And those bitcoins being withdrawn would show up as a 23 transaction on the block chain from the Silk Road server to one
- 24 of their addresses in a bitcoin wallet, correct?
- 25 Can you repeat that, please.

- 1 Q. Sure. That if a Silk Road user puts --
- THE COURT: Ask it in terms of what he's observed.
- Q. From what you know about the operation of the server with respect to bitcoins on Silk Road, that a user would fund his
- 5 address, right, on Silk Road, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And then if they decided to withdraw those bitcoins rather
- 8 than using them to purchase at some point if they had a balance
- 9 left, they could withdraw those bitcoins and that would show up
- 10 | as a transaction on the block chain from Silk Road wallets,
- 11 | correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 | Q. In fact, someone could use Silk Road as a wallet itself in
- 14 | that forum, right?
- 15 A. I guess you could, but it's kind of dangerous to trust your
- 16 bitcoins in someone else's wallet management.
- 17 Q. But it could be done?
- 18 A. It could be done, but when we seize government -- when the
- 19 government seized the Silk Road server, anyone who left their
- 20 | bitcoins in their Silk Road address for the purchase of buying
- 21 drugs, they lost all their bitcoins, so I wouldn't maintain my
- 22 | bitcoins that way.
- MR. DRATEL: One moment.
- 24 THE COURT: Yes.
- 25 Q. Now, part of your investigation, part of what you were

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- doing is looking at the movement of bitcoins back and forth,
  correct, from Silk Road servers, right?
  - A. Not back and forth. Just one direction from Silk Road to the Ross' laptop.
    - Q. And you mentioned --
  - THE COURT: I want to make sure that you don't speak over the witness.
  - MR. DRATEL: I'm sorry.
    - Q. But you mentioned that the amount that was in the FBI wallet was actually larger than the amount that was in -- that was transferred from the laptop, right?
- 12 A. Yes. So once the transaction -- once the seizure happened, 13 FBI address made it onto the block chain and transaction of 14 that size normally gets noticed by a lot of bitcoin users. So 15 once that happened, the government seizure address was publicly known at that point. And just like -- just like an email, 16 17 someone could send you an email and you send end up receiving it, whether it's spam or not. So we received a lot of small 18 19 transactions that also came into the government wallet --20 government address.
  - Q. Bitcoin?
- 22 A. Small -- fractions of bitcoins.
- Q. But you don't know where they were from necessarily, right, you didn't track them all down?
- 25 A. I'm sorry. What was that?

- 1 | Q. You didn't track down where they all came from?
- 2 A. No, I did not.
- 3 | Q. So when you say spam or something, that's just your
- 4 | speculation, right?
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 | Q. That's just a theory. You don't know where those -- those
- 7 | bitcoins came from after Mr. Ulbricht's arrest, right?
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 | Q. And in fact, when you talked about large amounts being
- 10 | noticed on the block chain by the public, in fact, you -- six
- 11 weeks after Mr. Ulbricht was arrested, you noticed 195,000
- 12 | bitcoins being moved, right?
- 13 | A. 195,000 bitcoins?
- 14 Q. Yes.
- 15 | A. I don't recollect that.
- 16 Q. I'll show you what's marked as 3511-38 and ask you if that
- 17 | refreshes your recollection. That November 22nd, 2013, there
- was a 195,000 bitcoin transaction that was then broken down
- 19 | quickly into three different transactions, right?
- 20 | A. I'm sorry. I was reading this. Could you give me just one
- 21 second.
- 22 | Q. I'm sorry.
- 23 A. Yes. You may proceed.
- 24 | Q. I'm sorry. It was 35, not 38. Thank you. It's the wrong
- 25 one. I'm giving you 35 instead to read.

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- 1 A. Sure.
- 2 Q. No wonder you're confused. Does that refresh your
- 3 | recollection: November 22nd, 2013, that there was a
- 4 | transaction of 195,000 bitcoin that that was then quickly
- 5 | broken up into three smaller transactions?
- 6 A. It looks familiar; yes.
- 7 | Q. Now, you you're at something called FTI Consulting, right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you left the government to join that organization,
- 10 right?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. The amount of money that the company's been paid already
- 13 | for this work is \$55,000, right?
- 14 A. We haven't been paid yet. I'm not sure what the bill is
- 15 | going to --
- 16 | Q. Is that the bill you've run up, \$55,000, right?
- 17 A. I'm not sure of the exact amount, but I think it's
- 18 somewhere around there.
- 19 Q. And this was an important case, right, for you and your
- 20 | career?
- 21 MR. HOWARD: Objection.
- 22 | THE COURT: You mean in his career with the government
- 23 | or at FTI?
- MR. DRATEL: Well, both, your Honor.
- 25 THE COURT: All right.

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1 Has it been important in your career in both jobs? 2 You may answer.

- A. It was a significant case considering that bitcoin was never involved in a criminal case like this, but I've worked on many other cases that were very interesting as well.
- 6 Q. And it's also true that another agent closely involved in 7 this case, Christopher Tarbell, also went to FTI after the arrest in this case, correct? 8
  - A. Yes.
- 10 MR. HOWARD: Objection; beyond the scope.
- 11 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 12 BY MR. DRATEL:
- 13 The answer is yes, right? Ο.
- 14 A. Yes.
- And you left during this -- after the arrest and before the 15 Q. trial, right, and you went to FTI? 16
- 17 Α. Yes.
- 18 MR. DRATEL: I have nothing further.
- 19 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 20 Anything further from you, Mr. Howard?
- 21 MR. HOWARD: No, your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: Thank you. You may step down, Mr. Yum.
- 23 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 24 (Witness excused)
- 25 THE COURT: Would the government like to call their

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next witness, please. 1 2 MR. HOWARD: The government calls Brian Shaw. 3 THE COURT: Mr. Shaw to the stand, please. THE DEPUTY CLERK: Raise your right hand. 4 5 (Witness sworn) THE COURT: Mr. Howard, you may proceed, sir. 6 7 BRIAN SHAW, called as a witness by the Government, 8 9 having been duly sworn, testified as follows: 10 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. HOWARD: 11 12 Good afternoon, Mr. Shaw. 13 Good afternoon. Α. 14 What do you do for a living? I am an info sec engineer. 15 Α. In your work, do you have any relationship with the FBI? 16 0. 17 Yes, I do. Α. What is that relationship? 18 19 I am a government contractor to the FBI. Α. 20 How long have you been a government contractor to the FBI? Ο. 21 Α. Since 2001. 22 Q. And what are your roles and responsibilities as a 23 contractor? 24 A. My roles and responsibilities include collecting, 25 processing and analyzing computer data.

- 1 | Q. What is your educational background?
- 2 A. I have a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from
- 3 Northwestern and a Master's degree in Computer Engineering from
- 4 | Virginia Tech.
- 5 | Q. Are you familiar with computer databases?
- 6 A. Yes, I am.
- 7 Q. We'll talk more about databases in detail later, but can
- 8 you provide a short description of what that is.
- 9 A. Sure. Computer database is a way to store structured data
- 10 | in a format that is easy to retrieve it later.
- 11 | Q. Do you have any specialized training in reviewing and
- 12 | analyzing computer databases?
- 13 A. Yes, I do.
- 14 | Q. And what is that?
- 15 A. Request I have completed a training class in SQL, which is
- 16 structured query language, which is the language used to
- 17 | interact with databases.
- 18 | Q. Now, in your role as a contractor with the FBI, do you have
- 19 | any role in FBI investigations?
- 20 | A. Yes, I do.
- 21 | Q. What is that role?
- 22 | A. I assist in analyzing and collecting and processing data in
- 23 | support of investigations.
- 24 | Q. And in the course of your career as a consultant to the
- 25 | FBI, approximately how many computers have you examined?

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- 1 A. I have supported over 100 investigations with digital evidence.
  - Q. Have you been involved in the review of computer evidence collected during the Silk Road investigation?
  - A. Yes, I have.
- Q. And, what your -- what is your involvement been specifically?
  - A. I've had two different roles: One was fairly early on where I was given copies of the databases collected from the investigation. And taking those copies of the databases, I assisted in creating intelligence packages to help support field investigations. Those intelligence packages, for example, with the DEA came to us and asked could we have information on user Joe X, Y, Z. We would create an intelligence product to then send back to the field investigator so that they could work on their investigation.

More recently, I was asked to take a look at two of the servers that were seized as a part of the investigation.

MR. HOWARD: Your Honor, may I approach.

THE COURT: You may.

- Q. I have just handed you Government Exhibit 603 and 604, which have already been admitted into evidence.
- A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. Do you recognize those exhibits?
- 25 A. Yes, I do.

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- What are they? 1 Q.
- These are the copies of the servers that I received copies 2 Α.
- 3 of to analyze.

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- 4 And how do you recognize them? Q.
- 5 They have my initials on them.
- 6 Did you review the files on the servers themselves or did 0.
- 7 you review copies of those servers?
- I reviewed from a copy of these images here. 8
- 9 Q. Now, what, if anything, did you do to confirm that the
- copies you reviewed were true and accurate copies of the 10
- 11 original servers?
- I verified the hash values of -- from the original servers 12
- 13 to the copies that I was analyzing.
- 14 And what kind of hash values did you run? Q.
- The MD5 and the SHA1 hash values. 15 Α.
- And real briefly, what a hash value? 16 0.
- 17 A hash value is, in essence, a fingerprint of a file so it
- 18 helps you to uniquely identify a file and also to detect if any
- changes have occurred. 19
- 20 Q. Mr. Shaw, can you please flip in your binder to what has
- 21 been premarked as Government Exhibits 900A and 900B.
- 22 Α. Yes.
- Do you recognize these exhibits? 23 0.
- 24 Α. Yes, I do.
- 25 What are they? Q.

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- A. These are screenshots of the MD5 and the SHA1 values of the images that I analyzed.
  - Q. Did you take these screenshots?
    - A. Yes, I did.
  - MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibits 900A and 900B.
  - MR. DRATEL: No objection.
- 8 THE COURT: Received.
  - (Government's Exhibits 900A, 900B received in evidence)
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you publish 900A.
- Q. Mr. Shaw, is this the screenshot of the hash values for one ever those two servers?
- 14 | A. Yes, it is.
- 15 Q. Do you know which server it was?
- 16 A. I believe this was the server that hosted the web server 17 and the Marketplace.
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you please publish
  Government Exhibit 900B.
- 20 | O. And what is this?
- A. This is the hash values from the second server that hosted backup copies of data from the Marketplace.
- Q. And do you -- you compared these values with the copies in the original log files for these servers?
- 25 A. That is correct.

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- 1 | Q. Did they match?
- 2 A. Yes, they did.
- 3 Q. And what does that indicate?
- 4 A. That indicates that there was no change between the
- 5 original and the copy that I was given.
- 6 Q. Can you please flip in your binder to what has been
- 7 premarked for identification purposes as Government
- 8 Exhibit 901.
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 | Q. Do you recognize this exhibit?
- 11 | A. Yes, I do.
- 12  $\parallel$  Q. And what is it?
- 13 A. This is a screenshot from a tool called FTK Imager and
- 14 | it's -- it shows information about a file called
- 15 authorized\_keys.
- 16 | Q. Did you take the screenshot?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 Q. And where was this file extracted from?
- 19 A. This was extracted from the primary server that hosted the
- 20 Marketplace.
- 21 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 22 | Exhibit 901.
- MR. DRATEL: No objection, your Honor.
- 24 THE COURT: Received.
- 25 (Government's Exhibit 901 received in evidence)

- Q. Mr. Shaw, what is depicted in the top right-hand corner of this exhibit?
  - A. That is the file name of the file being reviewed.
  - Q. It's called authorized\_keys?
  - A. Correct.

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- MR. HOWARD: Could we zoom out.
- 7 Q. What's depicted on the bottom right-hand corner of the 8 screen?
- 9 A. That is the content of the file or at least part of the 10 content.
- 11 | Q. Now, are you familiar with this kind of file?
- 12 | A. Yes, I am.
- 13  $\parallel$  Q. And what is it?
- 14 A. It's part of an SSH key.
- 15 | Q. And, what an SSH key?
- 16 A. An SSH keys are used for automatic mated authentications.
- 17 Normally, when you connect to a server you have to type in your
- 18 username and password. System administrators don't like to
- 19 have to remember all of their usernames and passwords for all
- 20 of the systems that they work on, so they like to set up an
- 21 | automated process for handling this authentication.
- 22 So what you do is you put a copy of your SSH key on
- 23 the remote server that you're administering. And when you go
- 24 | to connect to the remote server, it does a comparison,
- 25 three-part comparison to see if you're authorized to access the

- 1 system.
- 2 | Q. And so what is this first part -- let's look at the first
- 3 | line. There's a long series of characters here, letters and
- 4 numbers.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 | Q. What is that?
- 7 A. That's the tail end of the key that is used as part of the
- 8 authentication.
- 9 Q. And what is frosty@frosty to the right of that?
- 10 A. That is -- the first "frosty" denotes the username and the
- 11 second "frosty" denotes the computer name, and those are taken
- 12 | from the system you are coming from.
- 13 Q. So what is required for this key to work?
- 14 A. In order for this work, you must be coming from a
- 15 computer -- let's see if I can use this -- you must be coming
- 16 | from a computer with a computer name frosty, that's the second
- 17 part there. And the username that you are, again, coming from
- 18 | must be the first frosty here.
- 19 And then the comparison -- once those two match, a
- 20 comparison is done to see if the keys are also a pair, and if
- 21 so, then you're automatically authenticated and allowed into
- 22 the server.
- 23 | Q. If any of those parts are not correct, then what happens?
- 24 A. You get a login error.
- 25 | Q. And here there is a second line here. What does it

indicate?

A. That indicates that there was a second key that was authorized access to this server. Again, the username in this case would be "root" and the computer name would be "BCW."

MR. HOWARD: Now, Mr. Evert, could you please publish Government Exhibit 241, a file that was recovered from the defendant's computer and zoom in on the entries from March 25 through March 27, 2013. "03/25/2013. Server was ddosed, meaning someone knew the real IP. I assumed they obtained it by becoming a guard node. So, I migrated to a new server and set up private guard nodes. There was significant downtime and someone has mentioned that they discovered the IP via a leak from lighttpd.

03/26/2013: Private guard nodes are working ok. still buying more servers so I can set up a more modular and redundant server cluster. redid login page.

03/27/2013: Set up servers"

- Q. Mr. Shaw, from that FTK Imager, does it indicate the last date that that file was changed?
- A. Yes. It has a "date modified" date of March 26, 2013.
- Q. Now, focusing on what you reviewed the Marketplace server did you review the contents of that computer server?
  - A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Did you discover if any website was running from that server?

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- 1 A. Yes, I did.
- 2 Q. What website did the server appear to be running?
- 3 A. The Silk Road Marketplace.
- 4 Q. Now, based on your review of the files on that server, were
- 5 | you able to observe what the website looked like at around the
- 6 | time that it was seized?
- 7 A. Yes, I was. I was able to recreate the web server. I took
- 8 database files, the files that contained images and along with
- 9 some of the code that was used to run the web server and I
- 10 copied those, that data, moved it to a clean computer image
- 11 | that I created and I was able to re-instantiate, recreate what
- 12 | the web server would have looked like on my own local computer
- 13 completely isolated from any networks.
- 14 | Q. So no one else could access --
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. -- the simulation of the Silk Road website?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 | Q. Now, if you can please flip in your binder to what has been
- 19 | marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 910.
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. Do you recognize what this is?
- 22 | A. Yes, I do.
- 23 | O. What is this?
- 24 A. It's a screenshot from my recreated web server.
- 25 Q. Did you take this screenshot?

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Α. Yes, I did. 1

MR. HOWARD: Government offers Government Exhibit 910.

MR. DRATEL: No objection.

THE COURT: Received.

bitcoin price underneath, correct?

(Government's Exhibit 910 received in evidence)

- Mr. Shaw, what page of the Silk Road website does this depict as you recreated it?
- This is the page that loads after you log in.
- Q. So here in the upper left-hand corner we see Silk Road Anonymous Market. If we can zoom out, Mr. Evert and maybe zoom into the top two rows here. We have various photographs and words underneath, for example, front seller cocaine 0.5 grams, 500 milligrams, .7216 bitcoins. Another example, we have a picture and a tilde, 100 percent pure MDMA capsules X4 and a
- A. Correct. 16
  - MR. HOWARD: Can we zoom out, please. Can we zoom in on the top right-hand corner of the screen. Here we have the words "A few words from the Dread Pirate Roberts," and an avatar to the right?
  - A. Correct.
- 22 Q. And here it says "Hi, FBINY." What is FBINY?
- 23 In order to get into the recreated server, I had to create 24 a login account. I chose the name FBINY.
- 25 That was a new user you created for the purpose of making

- 1 | these screenshots?
- A. That is correct. That user did not exist prior to me recreating the website.
- 4 MR. HOWARD: Could you zoom out, please. Could you
- 5 zoom in on the bottom right-hand corner here.
- 6 Q. You see the word "support" here?
- 7 | A. Yes, I do.
- $8 \parallel Q$ . What is that?
- 9 A. That is a hyperlink to a new page.
- 10 | Q. Did you try clicking on the link?
- 11 A. Yes, I did.
- 12 | Q. What happened?
- 13 A. A new page loaded with support information.
- 14 Q. Would you please flip in your binder to what's been marked
- 15 | for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 918.
- 16 A. Okay.
- 17 | Q. Do you recognize this exhibit?
- 18 A. Yes, I do.
- 19 Q. And what is it?
- 20 A. This is a screenshot that I took of the support page.
- 21 Q. This is the page that happened after you clicked on the
- 22 | support link?
- 23 A. Correct.
- MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 25 | Exhibit 918.

MR. DRATEL: Your Honor, hearsay in terms of for the 1 2 truth. 3 THE COURT: Is it offered for the truth? 4 MR. HOWARD: No, your Honor. 5 THE COURT: Then that objection is overruled. Government Exhibit 918 is received. 6 7 (Government's Exhibit 918 received in evidence) THE COURT: You may proceed. 8 9 MR. HOWARD: Here it says "Follow the steps below to 10 get the help you need." 11 Reading the titles: Step one, look for your question in the FAQ. Step two, search the forum. Step three, post your 12 13 question in the customer support section of the forum. Step 14 four, open a support ticket. Underneath that it says "If all 15 else fails, you can message support as a last resort and an administrator will take care of you personally. Support 16 17 tickets should only be used when absolutely necessary." And 18 then there's a link -- the words there "Contact customer support." 19 20 Mr. Evert, can you please publish 910 again. Can you 21 zoom in on the top of the list right here. 22 Q. You see here where it says "drugs"? 23 Α. Yes. 24 Is that also a link? Ο.

Yes, it is. Α.

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- 1 | Q. Did you click on the link?
- 2 A. Yes, I did.
- 3 | Q. And what happened when you clicked on the link?
- 4 A. It took me to a page with products being offered for sale
- 5 labeled drugs.
- 6 Q. Now, Mr. Shaw, could you please flip in your binder to
- 7 | what's been marked for identification purposes as Government
- 8 | Exhibit 911.
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 | Q. Do you recognize this exhibit?
- 11 | A. Yes, I do.
- 12 || Q. What is that?
- 13 A. This is a screenshot of the page that loaded when you
- 14 | clicked on the link "drugs."
- 15 | Q. Did you take this screenshot?
- 16 A. Yes, I did.
- 17 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 18 | Exhibit 911.
- 19 MR. DRATEL: Same objection.
- 20 | THE COURT: Overruled. Received.
- 21 (Government's Exhibit 911 received in evidence)
- MR. HOWARD: Can we zoom in real fast on this little
- 23 area here, right here. It says "sort by bestselling."
- 24 | Q. Can you explain that?
- 25 A. Yes. You had at least two options for sorting the

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- information. In this case, it was sorted by bestselling. 1
  - What is the other option? Q.
    - Α. I believe it was "recent."
- 4 MR. HOWARD: Can you zoom out, Mr. Evert. And zoom in on the first few listings.
- Q. Heroin China White, 1 gram, U.S. only, 10X, 140mg pure 84 6
- 7 percent MDMA capsules, high quality number four heroin all rock
- directly from Key. 100 grams, 72 percent pure speed. East 8
- 9 Coast Style Heroin Stamps x10, and then in parentheses three
- 10 free. And the seller is listed as deezletime, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 MR. HOWARD: Now, can we zoom out and look on the 13 upper left-hand corner of the page.
- 14 Q. There's various -- are these all links on the left-hand side of the page by the way? 15
- They're all hyperlinks. 16 Yes.
- 17 There are various links: Cannabis, Ecstasy, opioids and Q.
- others. Did you try to click on all of these links? 18
- Yes, I did. 19 Α.
- 20 Did they take you to other pages on the Silk Road website? 0.
- 21 Yes, they did. Α.
- 22 Q. Please take a moment and look in your binder to what's been
- 23 marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibits 911A
- 24 through 911B, and let me know when you're done.
- 25 Okay. Α.

- 1 | Q. Do you recognize what these are?
- 2 | A. Yes, I do.
- 3  $\mathbb{Q}$ . And what are they?
- 4 A. These are screenshots taken from pages that loaded after
- 5 clicking on some of these links on the left side.
- 6 | Q. Did you take these screenshots?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibits
- 9 911A through 911D.
- 10 MR. DRATEL: The same objection.
- 11 | THE COURT: Okay. The objections are overruled.
- 12 | Those are received.
- 13 (Government's Exhibits 911A-911D received in evidence)
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish
- 15 Government Exhibit 911A.
- 16 Q. Mr. Shaw, do you recognize what this is?
- 17 | A. Yes, I do.
- 18 Q. What is this?
- 19 A. This is the page that loads when you click on the link
- 20 cocaine."
- 21 | Q. There are a bunch of cocaine listed on this page, correct?
- 22 | A. That's correct.
- 23 | Q. And is this a subcategory of drugs?
- 24 A. It's a subcategory of "drugs" and further a subcategory of
- 25 "stimulants," yes.

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- Q. Please publish Government Exhibit 911B, please. And what does Government Exhibit 911B depict?
  - A. This is the page that loads when you click on the link "heroin."
    - Q. Is this another subcategory of drugs?
- 6 A. Yes, it is.
- 7 Q. Can you please publish Government Exhibit 911C, please.
- 8 THE COURT: We haven't got to C yet.
- 9 THE DEPUTY CLERK: A through D.
- MR. HOWARD: A through D. Then A through D are received.
- 12 | Q. What is this page, Mr. Shaw?
- 13 A. This is the page that loaded when you clicked on the link
  14 "LSD."
- Q. Will you please publish Government Exhibit 911D as in dog, please. And, what this page, Mr. Shaw?
- 17 A. This is the page that loaded when you clicked on the link
  18 "meth."
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can we zoom in on the top

  20 listing here.
- Q. It says 3.5 grams ball in parentheses, pure crystal methamphetamine; is that correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you please publish

  Government Exhibit 910 again. Could we zoom in on this part of

- 1 | the page down to here.
- 2 | Q. Mr. Shaw, do you see the link called "forgeries" here?
- 3 | A. Yes, I do.
- 4 Q. Did you try clicking on that link?
- 5 A. Yes, I did.
- 6 Q. And what happened when you clicked on that link?
- 7 A. It took me to a page of listings of various forgery items
- 8 | to include passports and fake IDs.
- 9 Q. Mr. Shaw, can you please flip to Government Exhibits 913
- 10 and 914 in your binder.
- 11 | A. Okay.
- 12 | Q. Do you recognize what these exhibits are?
- 13 A. Yes, I do.
- 14 Q. And what are they?
- 15 A. These are the pages that loaded when I went to the category
- 16 | "fake IDs" and "passports," both under the category
- 17 | "forgeries."
- 18 | Q. Did you take these screenshots?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 MR. HOWARD: The government offers 913 and 914.
- 21 MR. DRATEL: The same objection; for the truth.
- 22 | THE COURT: What was the other word?
- 23 MR. DRATEL: That if it's coming in for the truth,
- 24 it's hearsay.
- 25 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. GX 913 is

received and 914. 1

2 (Government's Exhibits 913, 914 received in evidence)

- Mr. Shaw, what is this? 0.
- 4 This is the page that loaded when you clicked on the link
- "Fake IDs." 5

- 6 MR. HOWARD: Could we zoom in on the first few rows,
- 7 please, Mr. Evert.
- Q. Here we see IDs from Ohio, Illinois and I guess two from 8
- 9 Illinois, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you please publish
- Government Exhibit 914. 12
- 13 Q. And what does this page depict?
- 14 A. This is the page that loaded when you clicked on the link
- "passports." 15
- MR. HOWARD: Let's zoom in on the two -- the top two 16
- 17 listings, please.
- Q. Here we have an E.U. passport listing, a USA passport 18
- listing and a UK passport listing, correct? 19
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. And Mr. Shaw, did you review some of the individual
- 22 listings within the forgeries category?
- A. Yes, I did. 23
- 24 Could you please flip through what's been premarked as 915A
- 25 through 915G as in George.

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- 2 Q. Do you recognize what these are?
- 3 | A. Yes, I do.
- 4 Q. What are they?
- A. These are screenshots of items that were offered for sale under the category of "fake IDs" and "fake passports."
- 7 Q. Did you take these screenshots?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
  - MR. HOWARD: The government offers 915A through 915G as in George.
- MR. DRATEL: Same objection, your Honor, with respect to the truth of the matter.
  - THE COURT: All right. Those objections are overruled. GX 915A through G received.

15 (Government's Exhibits 915A-G received in evidence)

MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish 915A.

- Q. Here the title is listed "Real passport and new identity in
- 18 30 days, rush service." Zoom in on the second paragraph there.
- 19 Actually, go down a little further to the next paragraph right
- 20 here. It says here "The real ID we provide is a Dominican
- 21 | Republic passport and citizenship. It will have your picture
- 22 | and the details of another real person which is your real new
- 23 | identity. We need to know (1) your approximate age, (2)
- 24 | natural hair color, (4) natural eye color, (5) height and (6)
- 25 weight, (7) country you are from. This is used to access the

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info of a real person for your new identity, with info as close to you as possible."

Mr. Evert, can you please publish Government
Exhibit 915B, please. The title here is "Europe, fake
documents passports ID, DL, Diplomas! Passports Denmark
Latvia, Poland, Sweden, Holland, Lithuania."

Down here it says "USA, DL (PA, FL IL, NJ) all security UV, helograms, barcode, magnetic line," correct?

A. Correct.

MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish 915C, please. Zoom in on the top.

- Q. This says here "New York driver's license hologram plus scannable," and the seller is KingOfClubs, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Look at the instructions.
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, would you please publish
  Government's Exhibit 915D as in dog, please.
  - Q. This is a similar listing for a Pennsylvania driver's license, Mr. Shaw?
  - A. Correct.
    - MR. HOWARD: Can you please publish Government Exhibit 915E.
- 23 Q. And what is this a listing for, Mr. Shaw?
- 24 A. This is a listing for a Tennessee driver's license.
- MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish

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- 1 Government Exhibit 915F.
- 2 Q. Mr. Shaw, what is this a listing for?
- 3 A. It's a listing for a New south wales driving license.
- Q. Would you publish 915G, please. And what is this a listing for?
- 6 A. A forged Social Security card.
  - MR. HOWARD: Zoom out, please. Zoom this. This is a listing for a forged social security card. At the end the last sentence it says "In addition if you assume another identity and all you have in your wallet is a fake ID and some cash it looks a little empty and suspicious. Having more forms of ID and having more cards to pull it up makes it look real so buy this and more of my forged items will build a solid cover
- 14 | identity. Below is the order form."
- Q. Mr. Shaw, during your review of the contents of the Silk
  Road website as it existed when it was seized, did you find any
- 17 | listings for computer hacking tools and service?
- 18 | A. Yes, I did.
- 19 Q. Mr. Shaw, could you please take a moment and flip through
- 20 the binder to what's been marked as Government Exhibits 916A
- 21 | through Z for identification purposes.
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 | O. What are these?
- 24 A. These are listings for various hacking tools and services
- 25 | that were offered for sale on the Silk Road Marketplace.

F1tqulb5 Shaw - direct Were you involved in taking these screenshots? 1 2 Α. Yes, I was. 3 MR. HOWARD: The government offers 916A through 916Z. MR. DRATEL: Same objection. 4 5 THE COURT: All right. Those objections are overruled. GX 916A through Z are received. 6 7 (Government's Exhibits 916A-Z received in evidence) Q. We won't go through all of them. Let's look through a 8 9 selection of them, Mr. Shaw. 10 Α. Okay. Can we look at 916E, please. Here the title is "Android 11 RAT plus tutorial"? 12 13 A. Correct. 14 MR. HOWARD: Zoom down to description, that far. "The 15 description of this listing will be for an Android RAT and setup tutorial. Please only purchase if you have previous 16 17 experience with RATS. Here are some of the media it's capable 18 of stealing: Contacts, personal information, phone call logs, pictures, SMS messages (sent & received) WhatsApp messages." 19 20 A. Correct. (Continued on next page) 21 22

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- 1 MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you please publish 2 Government Exhibit 916F, please.
- 3 BY MR. HOWARD:
- 4 | Q. This is for a remote administration tool, correct?
- 5 A. Correct.

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- 6 0. Let's look at the first line.
  - The description is: "This is a remote administration tool. Used for hacking computers. You send a file to a computer and then you control it." Correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Look at 916I, please. It is called an "Email account
  12 cracker best price on SR."
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 | Q. Let's look at the description.
  - "This tool will allow you to crack nearly any email account. All you need to know is the smtp server and port (a quick Google search can solve that). It's extremely easy to use and I'll even throw in a little .gif image showing you how to use it. This can crack gmail, hotmail, yahoo email and any others you need."
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 | Q. Let's at one last one, 916K.
- 23 It says: "I will crack any username+password."
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 | Q. And the description: "This listing will be for a list of

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contacts that can crack random accounts on any website that has 1 a login page. Please note that I will not crack any 2

finance-related website accounts. If you are interested in having a specific account cracked, get in touch with me and we can make a deal. If you have any questions, feel free to send me a message. Sniffsniff."

A. Correct.

MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could we just go back to Government Exhibit 910, please, and let's zoom in to the bottom of the list.

- Do you see the money link, Mr. Shaw?
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- 13 Did you try clicking on that one? 0.
- 14 Yes, I did. Α.
  - What happened after you clicked on that one? Q.
- It took me to a page with various money listings. 16 Α.
- 17 Would you flip in your binder at what has been marked for Q. 18 identification purposes as Government Exhibit 917.
- OK. 19 Α.
- 20 Do you recognize what this is? 0.
- 21 Yes, I do. Α.
- 22 Q. And what is this?
- 23 This is the page that loaded after clicking on the link
- 24 "money."
- 25 Did you take this screenshot?

- F1tdulb6 Shaw - direct Yes, I did. 1 Α. 2 MR. HOWARD: The government offers 917. MR. DRATEL: The same objection, your Honor. 3 THE COURT: All right. The objection is overruled. 4 5 Government Exhibit 917 is received. (Government's Exhibit 917 received in evidence) 6 7 Q. Mr. Shaw, if you could please flip in your exhibit binder to what has been marked for identification purposes as 917A 8 through 917F. 9 10 Α. OK. 11 Do you recognize these exhibits? 12 Α. Yes, I do. 13 And what are they? Q. These are screenshots of items that were offered for sale 14 Α. related to money, separate transactions. 15 Did you participate in the creation of these screenshots? 16 17 A. Yes, I did. MR. HOWARD: The government offers 917A through 917F. 18 MR. DRATEL: The same objection. Hearsay. 19 20 THE COURT: All right. Those objections are 21 overruled. 917A through F are received. 22 (Government's Exhibits 917A through F received in
- (Government's Exhibits 917A through F received in evidence)

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MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, could you please publish 917A, please.

- 1 Q. Here it says "\$10,000 delivered," correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 | Q. And photos of cash?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 | Q. The description says: "\$10,000 delivered to your doorstep
- 6 in the form of 100 \$100 bills (or U.S. bills of your choosing).
- 7 You will be mailed genuine U.S. currency that has not been
- 8 | altered or linked to criminal activity."
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. Can we look at 917B, please.
- The title is "Vendors cash in UR coins 4 packs (3%)
- 12 | fee)," correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. Let's look at the description.
- 15 "Hello my good friends! This is a listing for anyone
- 16 to cash in their coins for moneypaks, REloadits, Vanilla
- 17 Reloads, and netspends."
- Now, here we have: "The rates are the same all the
- 19 way up no matter what, 3%.
- 20 | "\$500 pack costs \$515 coins. \$100 pack costs \$103 in
- 21 coins. You get the picture."
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 | Q. Look at 917C, please.
- The listing is called "Anonymous Visa ATM Card EUR USD
- 25 | PLN + Bank ACC."

A. Correct.

Q. Let look at the first line here:

"Get your own anonymous reloadable ATM physical plastic VISA debit card, with sealed PIN code, shipped by me from EU, bank will never know your name."

Skip to 917E, please. The title is "\$100 Green Dot Moneypak," correct?

- A. Correct.
- Q. The description: "Optimal: Contact me on TorChat to receive your code," and there are some letters and numbers. "I need up to 24 hours to buy these at the store, then I'll just PM you the card code and you can load it onto PayPal, credit cards, online bank, or whatever as if you had bought it yourself."

And, finally, let's look at 916F -- sorry, 917F. The listing is "[BTC] Bicion Laundry (Highly Anonymous, Impossibl," correct?

- A. Correct.
- Q. Let's look at the first paragraph here.

"Ever worried & paranoid about your unaccounted dirty money to be painful for you at some point? Then right now you are in the right listing, buy this listing and PM me... I will provide you fresh, washed, clean bitcoins in your BTC wallet in just 24 hours, making it completely anonymous and never be able to trace by using my own methods of mixing algorithm."

Mr. Shaw, can you please flip in your binder to what's 1

- been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 2
- 919. 3
- A. OK. 4
- 5 Q. And what is this?
- 6 This is a screenshot that I created of a page called
- 7 "Mastermind."
- Did you take this screenshot? 8
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 919. 11
- MR. DRATEL: The same objection. 12
- 13 THE COURT: Overruled. Received.
- 14 (Government's Exhibit 919 received in evidence)
- BY MR. HOWARD: 15
- Q. Mr. Shaw, you testified that the name of this page was 16
- 17 "Mastermind"?
- 18 A. Correct.
- Now, earlier you said that you had created the FBI NY 19
- 20 account to access the Web pages, correct?
- 21 Α. That is correct.
- 22 Were you able to access this page using the FBI NY account?
- 23 No, I was not. Α.
- 24 Would you please explain? Q.
- 25 Sure. We were testing only one account that was able to Α.

get to this page and that account was the Dread Pirate Roberts' account. So I was unable to get to this page using my FBI NY account, and I also tried a few of the other user accounts in addition. I tried to use -- can you zoom in on the top, please? Also, I tried to use the account Inigo, Libertas and Cirrus, and none of those accounts were able to access this page.

THE COURT: When you reach a logical stopping point, we are going to take our break.

MR. HOWARD: This is absolutely perfect right now.

THE COURT: All right. Had you finished your answer?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

Ladies and gentlemen, let's take our mid-afternoon break, and when we come back we'll sit for the remainder of the day. I want to remind you about the usual, not to talk to each other or anybody else about this case. Thank you.

THE CLERK: All rise as the jury leaves.

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(Jury not present) 1 THE COURT: Mr. Shaw, you can step down as well. 2 3 (Witness not present) 4 THE COURT: All right. Let's all be seated just for 5 one second. 6 How much more do you have of this witness? I am just 7 curious. I am not rushing you at all. I'm just wondering, do you feel like you are moving fast? Do you feel like you are 8 9 moving at the pace that you had expected? 10 MR. HOWARD: I'm sorry. I'm sorry to interrupt you 11 for a second there. 12 It is moving faster than I expected. However, there 13 will be a lot of reading towards the end so I think we have a 14 couple of hours left. 15 THE COURT: All right. So you are likely to go the remainder of the day? 16 17 MR. HOWARD: I think that is very likely. THE COURT: All right. Fine. 18 Is there anything else that we should go over before 19 20 we take our own break? MR. DRATEL: No, your Honor. 21 22 THE COURT: All right. We'll resume then --23 MR. DRATEL: Oh, yes. Wait. I do, your Honor. 24 one thing. Sorry. 25 The testimony of Mr. Yum, we would object to it as

expert testimony without proper notice. We'd also object to it on the basis of hearsay and <u>Crawford</u> based on the fact that 60 percent of the work was done by someone who is not here as a witness, and we don't have notes, we don't have anything, or know what was done with respect to these processes, which are very technical. So on that ground I move to strike his testimony.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Howard.

I'm sorry, Mr. Turner.

MR. TURNER: Your Honor, so we don't think it is expert testimony. It does not require some sort of specialized opinion. As the agent himself explained, this is akin to looking at a bunch of bank records from -- you know, controlled by one entity or coming from one place and seeing if there are transfers going to another place, another account. It was done in an automated way, but it's still in essence just looking at basically the equivalent of bank records in the bitcoin context. It doesn't require expert knowledge. So we don't think it is expert testimony.

And in terms of <u>Crawford</u>, the agent testified, he was personally involved in the analysis and even writing the code that was referred to. There is no hearsay issue.

THE COURT: I think it was a <u>Crawford</u> issue that he was raising.

MR. DRATEL: Yes. That is right.

THE COURT: Not hearsay.

MR. DRATEL: Well, the hearsay is the <u>Crawford</u> part. It is a complication issue because, essentially, the work of someone else is just simply being put in through this witness. And, also, he is an expert in the sense that he acknowledged that he couldn't have done it in the time that it would need to be done. Besides, he is a computer consultant for this very purpose; it is not something they assigned to a paralegal or they did themselves. This was farmed out for a reason.

THE COURT: Well, this witness was an agent on the case who has extensive firsthand knowledge of the materials with which he was working. And expert testimony can be both opinions or specialized knowledge. But I agree with Mr. Turner that while there are no opinions that he offered, he offered fact evidence. It certainly seems to be precisely the kind of work that he would have done had he been at the agency still.

And in terms of there being a confrontation issue, and then implicitly through that -- I now understand you,

Mr. Turner -- a hearsay issue, I don't find that that has any traction. The kind of work that he was doing is the kind of work that's typically done, often done with others, and there was nothing that he testified about that indicates that the other person had done something uniquely on his own in which he had no substantive involvement. The only issue was the actual drafting of some of the code, but he had been involved in the

logic. So the application is denied. The motion to strike is 1 2 denied. 3 MR. DRATEL: There is one other element, your Honor, which is the python programs. He used programs in the sense 4 of -- you know, I don't care if they are off the shelf or not, 5 but there is a hearsay problem and a confrontation problem. 6 7 THE COURT: I disagree with that. As we also heard, that particular program is also on the defendant's laptop. But 8 9 in any event, the application is denied. 10 Is there anything else that we should do before we take our own break? 11 12 MR. HOWARD: Not from the government's perspective. 13 MR. DRATEL: No, your Honor. 14 THE CLERK: All rise. 15 (Recess) (Jury not present) 16 17 THE COURT: All right. Let's bring out the jury. 18 (Continued on next page) 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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THE CLERK: All rise as the jury enters. 1

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THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, let's all be seated.

Mr. Howard.

MR. HOWARD: Thank you, Judge.

So, Mr. Evert, would you please put Government Exhibit 901 up again.

- Just real briefly, Mr. Shaw, the date is March 26, 2013, correct.
- A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And so what does that mean with respect to this
- 12 authentication case?
- 13 A. It that means this file was last modified on March 26,
- 14 2013, which means from that point forward this file was valid
- 15 for authentication.
- Q. Earlier you testified that an SSH authentication key is 16
- 17 used to authenticate access for an administrator into a
- 18 computer server without a password, correct?
- A. That is correct. 19
- 20 Q. And so does this mean that as of March 26, 2013, a username
- 21 with Frosty with a computer named Frosty had what was
- 22 authorized to access the server provided they have a matching
- 23 key?
- 24 A. That is correct.
- 25 Mr. Shaw, earlier we just briefly mentioned computer

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databases. Could you please provide some more details about what they are and how they work?

A. Sure. Computer databases are a great way to store structured information. So by storing it in a nice clean way, you are able to quickly retrieve data back from the database.

A good example might be a local mom-and-pop shop like your florist would have information about their vendors, different salespeople that they deal with, and traditionally these shops would have a Rolodex with, you know, a card for every single salesperson that they've ever dealt with over the years and Rolodexes are organized by the salespeople's last names. Each one of these cards would have, you know, like the person's first name, last name, telephone number, an email address, and the name of the company that they work for. By storing information like that in a database, if it ever comes to a time like, oh, I remember there was a salesperson John from company XYZ but I can't -- I don't remember his last name, if you had that data in a database you could easily ask the database please give me all the salespeople from company XYZ whose first name started with the letter J and you would get your results back quickly.

Another benefit of databases, on that Rolodex card you could also say all of our contracts are located in the filing cabinet 2, drawer 3. So that way you could easily when you are going through the Rolodex say, OK, for this company I need to

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1 | pull up some contracts. Go straight to the filing cabinet.

The benefit of databases is you can easily do those types of links backwards and forwards to quickly retrieve data.

- Q. So did you discover any computer databases on the two servers that you analyzed?
- A. Yes, I did.
- 7 Q. Did you examine the contents of those servers?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. And did you compare the databases you found on each of those two servers?
- 11 A. Yes, I did.
- 12 Q. And what did you discover?
- 13 A. There was significant similarities between the structure of 14 the databases and significant overlap in the data within the
- 15 | files that I reviewed.
- Q. And what did the data in those databases appear to pertain to?
- 18 A. It pertained to the function of the Silk Road Marketplace.
- 19 Q. Now, Mr. Shaw, could you please -- so what kinds of
- 20 | information did the databases contain?
- 21 A. Some examples of what was in the database, there was a
- 22 | table called "Transactions" that stored the transaction
- 23 information, so purchases of items from the marketplace.
- 24 Additionally, there was information on messages that were sent
- 25 between two individuals, two user accounts on the marketplace

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- 1 itself.
- 2 Q. And this transactional and message information, was it
- 3 | located on both servers you looked at?
- 4 A. Yes, it was.
- 5 | Q. Would you please flip in your binder to what has been
- 6 marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibit 920A,
- 7 please.
- 8 A. OK.
- 9 Q. Do you recognize what this is?
- 10 | A. Yes, I do.
- 11 || Q. And what is it?
- 12 A. It's a technical description of the messages table for the
- 13 database.
- 14 | Q. And this is where the messages in the databases were
- 15 stored?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 | Q. Did you take this screenshot?
- 18 | A. Yes, I did.
- 19 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government Exhibit
- 20 | 920A.
- 21 MR. DRATEL: The same objection, your Honor.
- 22 | THE COURT: All right. The objection is overruled.
- 23 | 920A is received.
- 24 | (Government's Exhibit 920A received in evidence)
- 25 BY MR. HOWARD:

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- Q. Would you please -- Mr. Shaw, could you please explain what's located in the first column here?
- 3 A. Sure. Kind of like the Rolodex where I said you had to
- 4 have the first name, last name of the company, what you see
- 5 here are the fields that are stored for each individual record
- 6 inside of the table. And some of the fields that are stored in
- 7 | this information is data about who the message was sent to, who
- 8 | the message was sent from, and then the subject and the body of
- 9 the message that was sent.
- 10  $\parallel$  Q. So this is the information that each record in the
- 11 | messaging database contained?
- 12 | A. Yes. Each record would have this type of information in
- 13 | it.
- 14 Q. Was each message uniquely identified somehow in the
- 15 | databases?
- 16 A. Yes, they are.
- 17 Q. How were they identified?
- 18 | A. They were uniquely identified by the index column here.
- 19 Q. Would you please look in your binder. At the back there
- 20 should be something that's marked as Government Exhibit 960.
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. And what is this?
- 23 A. It's a video that I put together to show some examples from
- 24 | the private messages table.
- Q. Is it on a CD?

- F1tdulb6 Shaw - direct Yes, it is. 1 Α. How do you recognize this exhibit? 2 Q. 3 It has my initials on it. Α. MR. HOWARD: The government offers 960 for 4 5 demonstrative purposes. 6 THE COURT: 960? 7 MR. HOWARD: Yes. MR. DRATEL: No objection for demonstrative purposes. 8 9 THE COURT: All right. Received for demonstrative 10 purposes. (Government's Exhibits 960 received in evidence) 11 12 MR. HOWARD: My I approach, your Honor? 13 THE COURT: You may. 14 (Pause) Could you please describe what's going on in this video? 15 Q. Sure. What we're looking at here are messages taken 16 straight from the messages table in the database. You'll 17 notice that the two fields here have some long strings -- and 18 in addition to the front field -- some long strings of 19
  - notice that the two fields here have some long strings -- and in addition to the front field -- some long strings of semi-random letters and data. So what you do is you resolve that information by looking at the users table. So by doing simple database joins, I was able to resolve that information.
  - Q. Actually, could you hold on one second.

Could you hit play, please.

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these uniquely identified users in the users table?

- A. Yes, they are.
- Q. Please proceed.
- A. Could you pause, please.

So what you see here, I was able to resolve the usernames, who sent the message and who the message was sent to, and I also converted the date to a normal date that you and I would understand. For example, you know, a message here was sent from username "Pacco" to username "Red Bull." The subject, I just typed in "subject." And the body of the message was simply a question mark.

Hit play, please.

We will scroll through a few messages from the table.

(Indicating)

Could you hit pause, please.

One of the benefits of having the data stored in a database is you could quickly retrieve messages sent from a specific user to a specific user. So a very simple query to ask of the database. In this instance what we're looking at are messuages sent from the account Dread Pirate Roberts to the account Inigo.

Could you hit play, please.

(Video playing)

I believe that concludes the video. Thank you.

Q. So, Mr. Shaw, in the last example there, you showed an

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- 1 | example asking the database to return all of the messages
- 2 | between -- from the Dread Pirate Roberts to Inigo, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 | Q. Can you ask other kinds of questions of the messages
- 5 database?
- 6 A. Yes, you can.
- 7 | Q. Could you please flip into what is Government Exhibit 930
- 8 | in your binder, please?
- 9 A. OK.
- 10 | Q. Do you recognize what this is?
- 11 A. Yes, I do.
- 12 | Q. What is this?
- 13 A. This is a message that was recovered from one of the
- 14 servers.
- 15 Q. Does the data in this exhibit accurately reflect
- 16 | information about that message in the databases you reviewed?
- 17 A. Yes, it does.
- 18 Q. Did you participate in the creation of this exhibit?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 MR. HOWARD: The government offers 930 into evidence.
- 21 MR. DRATEL: Just a minute, your Honor.
- 22 (Pause)
- 23 | Objection to hearsay, your Honor.
- 24 THE COURT: All right.
- MR. DRATEL: And <u>Vayner</u>.

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THE COURT: All right. The objections are overruled, and Government Exhibit 930 is received. (Government's Exhibit 930 received in evidence) MR. HOWARD: Could we zoom in on the top of the message. Q. So here we have a date and time of December 31, 2012, at 9:19:23, from Dread Pirate Roberts to NorCal420HookUp. Subject: Account status. Mr. Shaw, is that all information that you pulled from the database? This information all came from the database, correct. Q. We are going to be looking at all the messages later. Whenever we have this header information, was that taken from the database? A. Yes, it was. Q. And how about the body part of the message, where was that taken from? That was stored in the database information. Α. MR. HOWARD: Can you zoom in on this. "NorCal, My representative tells me he's having trouble communicating with you, so I'll be handling your case personally. I reviewed your correspondence so far and I'd like to make a couple of points to clarify why you've lost your selling privileges. From the Seller's Guide: "Do not create

listings that instruct customers to pay outside of escrow, or

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are used for any purpose other than to list an item to be sold for the listed price using the site checkout system. If you instruct your buyers to pay you in any other way, or to contact you off-site, your seller privileges WILL be revoked." You created a listing called "Listing for "Other" transactions" with a price of zero and proceeded to accept payment directly to your account. Hopefully that clears up why your account was suspended. Normally that would be the end of it and your only option would be to sell your wares elsewhere or start over with a new account. However, we've recently started a second chance program where you can have your account back if you pay for the commissions we lost and of course abide by the Seller's Guide from now on. Regarding your claim that you don't owe this and deserve your account back because Silk Road experienced down-time, defacement, and is operated on the Tor network. This is not the case. You do not have a right to the business I generate for you through Silk Road. Your status as a vendor here is a privileged that is contingent on you following the rules, which you have not. You can either accept my second chance and play by the rules from now on, start over with a new account, or go elsewhere. Regarding your threats, they are unprofessional and do not phase me one bit. I will overlook them as an emotional response to an overwhelming situation and AGAIN, give you a second chance to repair your relationship with me and get your account in good standing. If I get any

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response from you that isn't cordial and in compliance with
what I have told you you need to do to get your vendor
privileges back, your account will remain suspended
permanently. Hopefully we can put this behind us and have a

So the private messages table reflected this is a message sent by the user Dread Pirate Roberts, correct?

A. Correct.

fresh start in 2013. -DPR"

- Q. Now, Mr. Shaw, could you please -- now flip through your binder and take a look at what's been marked for identification purposes as Government Exhibits 931, 932, 933 and 935.
- 12 A. OK.

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- Q. Do you recognize what these exhibits are?
- 14 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Just like Government Exhibit 930, are these also private messages that you located in the databases?
  - A. Yes, they are.
- 18 | Q. Did you also participate in the creation of these exhibits?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Have you confirmed that all of the information that is in these exhibits truly and accurately reflect information from
- 22 | the databases?
- 23 A. Yes, I have.
- MR. HOWARD: The government offers 931, 932, 933 and 935.

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MR. DRATEL: The same objections, your Honor. 1 THE COURT: All right. The objections are overruled. 2 Those documents are received. 3 (Government's Exhibits 931, 932, 933 and 935 received 4 5 in evidence) MR. HOWARD: Please publish 931, please. 6 7 Q. It's dated February 25, 2013, from Dread Pirate Roberts to SweFarmacy. Subject: Withdrawals. 8 9 "SweFarmaci, what happened!!! 10 "I help you out and repay me by exploiting a bug in my system? That's not cool man, you should have told me about it. 11 I want to give you a chance to do the right thing and put the 12 13 money back. If you don't, I'll get your mailing address from 14 one of the two vendors who your ordered from from your laksam account and hunt you down, understand? Don't think I don't have 15 people in Sweden. 16 17 "Doesn't matter, I know you'll do the right thing, 18 right? 19 "-DPR" 20 Would you please publish 932, Mr. Evert. 21 It is dated April 11, 2013, from Dread Pirate Roberts 22 to supercanna. Subject: Expurdue. 23 "Hi supercanna, 24 "Do you remember a user you may have worked with named 25 expurdue? He managed to exploit a hole in the site and ripped

me off for a good chunk of change. I am hoping you can help me track him down and recover my funds. Let me know if you have any info on him at all.

"Thanks,

"DPR."

Mr. Evert, would you please publish Government Exhibit 933. The message is dated July 12, 2013, from Dread Pirate Roberts to gold. Subject: Money exchange.

"Hey, if you have a problem you should come to me instead of posting bad numbers on the forum. It's really not cool and you should take them down and apologize. Silk Road isn't some bureaucracy. I consider us business partners. Yes I made a mistake and the message I had intended for you and the other vendors to read giving you a heads up about the changes was not delivered, that was my fault. I apologized for that publicly and I apologize for it to you now.

"I'm surprised that commission increase on your \$10k listing has hurt your business so much, but I recognize that running an exchange business has much tighter margins and should therefore be treated differently. I had actually hoped to help you specifically by making it possible for you to peg your gold bullion listings the the price of gold, but it looks like I've done more harm than good. I'm in the process of developing a separate section of the site for money exchanges and have a couple of questions for you if you don't mind.

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1 "1) Are you willing to accept cash in the mail?

"2) What is the smallest denomination you could work with? \$5? \$10?

"Silk Road was never set up to facilitate money exchanges. I'm pleased that you've been able to run a good business up to this point here, but until I get a system in place that caters to your needs, it will be a challenge to fit you in with the rest of the vendors. I don't want to say too much without hearing your side of things first, so I'll stop here and hopefully we can have a rational dialogue about this.

"DPR."

Mr. Evert, could you please publish Government Exhibit 935, please.

The first message is June 10, 2013, from shefoundme to KingOfClubs. Subject: Group buy.

"Hi, I need a few of your highest quality IDs. I notice several attributes you list: hologram UV scannable raised lettering. Can you give me a rundown of the importance of these attributes and what they are needed for? For example, which are needed to pass airport security for a domestic flight? Which are needed to get through being pulled over by a cop? Are any of your IDs suitable for this purpose or are they useful when scrutinized superficially? However you respond, I would like about half a dozen of your best USA IDs and one of the best from each of the international locations (Australia,

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UK, Canada). Thank you for your assistance, I'll be checking
      for a reply daily."
               June 20, 2013, from KingOfClubs to shefoundme.
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      Subject: Group buy.
               "If you are using them for those purposes, I would go
      for the cards with all the features" -- Sorry, this is June 10,
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      2013. I think I misread the dates.
                "If you are using them for those purposes I would go
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      for the cards with all the features, are you interested in any
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      specific states/provinces? Please narrow it down a bit for me
      as I offer a lot of different cards, thanks."
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               June 10, 2013, at 20:53, from shefoundme to
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      KingOfClubs. Subject: Group buy.
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               "You have Illinois, South Carolina, New Jersey,
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      Florida, and Colorado listed as having
      (Holograms+UV+Scannable), so I'd like one of each of these.
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      Then I'd like the New South Wales ID and the UK ID. For Canada,
      you have: 1. Quebec Driver's License (Scannable Magstripe1, 2, 3)
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      2. Alberta Driver's License (Holo, Raised LTR, Scans) 3.
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      Ontario Driver's License (Raised Lettering, Scans) I quess
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     Alberta is better than Ontario because it has Holo. Is there a
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      difference between "Scans" and "Scannable Magstripe1,2,3"? If
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      there isn't, then I'd like the Alberta ID as well. You also
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     have the following listing: New Texas Drivers License (Raised
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      LTR, Holo, Scans) This is your only US ID with "Raised LTR",
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but it doesn't have "UV". Can you comment on it's quality compared to the US IDs listed above? Can you comment on the suitability of using any of these IDs to board a domestic USA flight? Can you please comment on what the various attributes mean? For example, does "UV" mean if it is held under a UV light, then some pattern appears that makes it look legit? If it doesn't have "UV" does that mean if it is held under UV light it will be exposed as a fake? In general, how much scrutiny can these cards hold up against? Sorry for all of the questions, but I hope you can spare a moment to inform me."

It continues here on the next page.

June 10, 2013, at 10:12 p.m., from KingOfClubs to shefoundme. Subject: Group buy.

"Alberta doesn't have a magnetic stripe, it has a 2d barcode on the back that is scannable. I provide UV on my DL's for +\$50 US if its not included in the listing, the New TX DL is very good and has worked great for my past buyers. I can't say for sure as no past buyer has told me if it has/has not worked for this purpose. If you choose UV (which I suggest), the same UV features that are on the real card will be on yours as well. They can hold up against a high amount of scrutiny, if you have any other questions let me know, Regards."

6/11/2013 at 2:17 a.m., from shefoundme to KingOfClubs. Subject: Group buy.

"Ok, how much for the following: California, New York,

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Texas, Florida, Colorado, South Carolina, UK, New South Wales, 1 Alberta. All newest and at the highest quality and most 2 3 security features you can do." 4 Mr. Evert, can you put this on one side of the screen, 5 please. 6 Could you publish -- put that on the left side, 7 That's fine. On the top is fine. please. Can you publish Government Exhibit 402 on the bottom, 8 9 please, which has already been admitted into evidence. 10 Mr. Shaw, do you see the picture on the bottom? 11 Α. Yes, I do. 12 Have you seen this picture before? 13 Yes, I have. Α. 14 And how do the photographs, the nine IDs depicted in 402, compare to the jurisdictions in the private messages? 15 16 A. They are a match. 17 MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you go back to the message, please. 18 June 11, 2013, at 2:26 p.m., from shefoundme to 19 20 KingOfClubs. Subject: Group buy. 21 "Also, I'd like them to have a motorcycle designation 22 if possible." 23 6/11/2013, at 2:48 p.m., to KingOfClubs, from

shefoundme:

"I can add the motorcycle designation no problem, I

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can do all those for \$1650 US total. If you want me to put up 1 a custom listing for you let me know. Regards." 2 3 Then on June 11, 2013, at 3:06 p.m., shefoundme to KingOfClubs: "I'm ready to buy, just send me the link to the 4 custom listing. I'd like them processed, shipped and delivered 5 asap. If you need to tack on a little extra for that, please 6 7 do." 6/12/2013, at 3:49 p.m., from KingOfClubs to 8 9 shefoundme: 10 "Custom for S" and then there is a URL there that includes "silkroadvb5piz3r.onion/silkroad" and more text. 11 "As soon as you purchase the listing and send the ID 12 13 forms and pics i'll get started asap. Regards." 14 Then on June 12th at 10:01 p.m., from shefoundme to KingOfClubs: 15 "Thank you kindly. There was a delay and I won't have 16 17 the address for another couple of days it looks like. Sorry about that. I'll go ahead and buy the listing and then send you 18 all the info soon. I just put 'address in pm' in the address 19 20 box, so I'll message it to you along with everything else." 21 (Continued on next page) 22 23

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6/12/2013 from KingOfClubs to shefoundme at 11:05 p.m. Okay sounds good, looking forward to doing business with you, 3 Regards. 6/16, 11:36 a.m. from shefoundme to KingOfClubs: 4 "Sorry for the continued delay. I am try to arrange an address to have the order sent to. To better help me plan, how long 6 7 from when I give you the information for the IDs (name, DOB, picture, etc) until you are ready to ship?" 8 9 6/17/2013, 8:32 p.m. from shefoundme to KingOfClubs: 10 "I've sent along the info for my order to kingofclubs@tormail.org from shefoundme@tormail.org. 11 that so I could attach the photos, but I'd like to continue 12 13 communicating here please." 14 6/18/2013, 3:41 a.m. from KingOfClubs to shefoundme: 15 "Okay sounds good, starting on it asap. Regards." 6/21/2013 at 2:57 p.m. from shefoundme to KingOfClubs: 16 17 'Begin PGP message," and I will not try to read that part of 18 it. 6/22/2013 at 12:26 a.m. from KingOfClubs to 19 20 shefoundme: "Okay we'll send there. Providing sample picks in 21 the next couple days, regards." 22 Then June 22nd, 2013 at 3:16 p.m. from shefoundme to 23 KingOfClubs: "Thanks can you confirm that I put Avenue and not

Street? Where will you send the samples? I think I'd rather

just have them sent than have pictures of them out on the web.

Can you do encrypted.rar over tormail as I did? That would be 1 2 acceptable I think." June 25, 2013, 2:35 a.m. from KingOfClubs to 3 "You put Avenue, I'll send the sample pics in a 4 shefoundme: couple days, if you provide your public key i'll encrypt it for 5 6 you, what's the password for the rar file you provided? 7 can't find it. Regards." Skip the next page, please. 8 9 June 25, 2013, 5:44 p.m. from KingOfClubs to 10 shefoundme: "Okay. Getting started asap. Regards." June 28, 2013 at 3:29 a.m. from KingOfClubs to 11 shefoundme: "Done, sample pics." 12 There's number one, number two, number three number four 13 Ο. 14 and under each of them there are two links provided, correct? 15 A. Correct. MR. HOWARD: I do not require that you finalize early 16 17 as you have less than ten transactions in your buyer history, as soon as you finalize I'll send it out asap. Regards. 18 19 Let's go to the next page, Mr. Evert. 20 7/29/2013 at 11:13 a.m. from shefoundme to 21 KingOfClubs: "Okay I have finalized. Please let me know when 22 it has shipped and when to expect it." 23 7/1/2013 at 9:40 p.m. shefoundme to KingOfClubs: 24 idea when this will ship out?"

7/1/2013 from KingOfClubs to shefoundme: "Sent, will

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be arriving midnext week, regards." 1 2 7/11/2013, 6:42 p.m. from shefoundme to KingOfClubs: "The order did not arrive in today's mail. When did it go 3 out." 4 5 7/12/2013, 1:52 a.m. from KingOfClubs to shefoundme: "It went out over the weekend, should be arriving any day now. 6 7 Regards." 7/17/2013 at 2:38 p.m. from shefoundme to KingOfClubs: 8 9 "Week and-a-half and still nothing. I paid nearly \$30 for 10 express shipping. Did you send it express? What is the tracking #?" 11 "Tracking number EG014226242 CA, track 12 KingOfClubs: 13 at USPS.com regards." KingOfClubs: "Yes it was sent Express." 14 15 Shefoundme on 7/18: "Looks like it got stuck in The last step is "inbound out of customs" on the 16 17 10th. Have you ever had something seized or any of your customers get in trouble?" 18 7/20/2013 from KingOfClubs: "Seizures rarely happen, 19 20 maybe twice in 2 years. You will not get in trouble for this 21 if it is seized, in the worst case scenario they may send a 22 letter to you saying they have it and that if you want to come 23 pick it up you can. DO NOT go pick it up, obviously, if this

happens, remember that anyone can send anyone anything. I can

get them redone for you but it will take about a week and I

- 1 | would need to sent it to another address, interested?"
- 7/21 from shefoundme: "Let's give this a little more
- 3 | time to see if they come through. If not I'll hit you up for
- 4 another batch. Thank you for your help."
- 5 Finally, 7/21 KingOfClubs: "Okay sounds good.
- 6 Regards."
- 7 Q. Mr. Shaw, could you please turn in your binder to what's
- 8 been marked as Government Exhibit 936.
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 | Q. Do you recognize what this is?
- 11 | A. Yes, I do.
- 12 | Q. And what is this?
- 13 A. It is a list of selected messages to and from the user
- 14 | account Dread Pirate Roberts.
- 15 | Q. And did you also participate in the preparation of this
- 16 exhibit?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 Q. Did you confirm that all of the messages depicted in this
- 19 exhibit truly and accurately reflect information from the
- 20 databases located on the servers?
- 21 A. Yes, I did.
- 22 MR. HOWARD: The government offers Government
- 23 | Exhibit 936.
- MR. DRATEL: A number of hearsay Vayner, 403 previous
- 25 | objections.

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THE COURT: All right. Those objections are overruled for the previous reasons and this exhibit is received.

MR. HOWARD: Mr. Evert, can you please publish 936 and can I have a bottle of water, please.

- Q. Mr. Shaw, can you please explain what is depicted here?
- A. Sure. This is a compilation of messages sent to and from the user account Dread Pirate Roberts with one exception that we'll talk about in a minute. The way that it is laid out is there is a column here that will tell you who the message is from or who the message is sent to. And implied in all of these, again with one exception, is the other participant is
- MR. HOWARD: So Mr. Evert, could you zoom in on the top two lines for a second.
- Q. For example, the first row in the to from column it says "from FriendlyChemist," what does that mean?
- A. That means this message was sent from the account FriendlyChemist to the account Dread Pirate Roberts.

the user account Dread Pirate Roberts.

- Q. And on the next line it says "to FriendlyChemist." What does that mean?
- A. That means it was a message sent from the Dread Pirate Roberts to the FriendlyChemist.
- MR. HOWARD: Zoom out. Could we go forward to page eight, please.
- Q. So what is this message right here, can you zoom into that

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location?

- A. This is the one exception I was referring to. This is actually from a forum post posted to -- it was from a backup copy from the web forum associated with the Silk Road Marketplace so this was available for others to read. It was not a one-to-one message.
- Q. And are there other messages that are marked in blue?
- A. There are other messages marked in blue, yes.
- Q. What do those indicate?
- A. Anything marked in blue indicates that it came from the backup of the forum, the web forum; however, all of the other messages are still one-to-one between the user account and the Dread Pirate Roberts.
- Q. By one-to-one, do you mean private messages to and from Dread Pirate Roberts?
  - A. Yes, the forum supported private messages also.
- Q. Let's go to the first page, please.

March 13, 2013 from FriendlyChemist: "Can u please get dread pirate roberts to message me RIGHT away? its very serious... a matter of life and death. also has to do with the identities of a dozen top vendors and thousands of silk road customers its very important so please get him me right away. i will not talk to anyone but dread pirate roberts so please do not ask me what it is conserning."

From Dread Pirate Roberts to FriendlyChemist,

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March 14: "What can I do for you."

March 14, 2013 from FriendlyChemist to Dread Pirate Roberts: "What is going on? when are u payin lucydrop? i have been waiting and waiting and he keeps saying hes waitin for u to pay u dont know me but i am lucydrops supplier. the only reason i lent lucydrop so much product is bcuz he showed me the chat logs of u and him talking and how u made him the #1 seller on silkroad. i lent him 900k of product and he paid me 200k and then started avoiding me. i see u and him still have listings up when i kno for a fact he does not have ne product. why are u guys scamming people for there hard earned money? i stopped by lucydrops house and he doesnt live there ne more and his phone goes straight to voicemail but i kno he has been on sr.. and he says wait for u what is the deal? where is my money? why is lucydrop still selling when i kno for fact he has no product because i supplyd him im freaking out here! that was not my money! im getting scared. my wife said she saw people at my kids school and im getting really worried i put a keylogger on lucydrops computer when he left the room one day when i was their so i could see what he was doing and i see he has been selling still when i kno he doesnt have product. are u guys pulling a scam? why!? i also have the indentities of 9 top vendors and 15 smaller vendors and thousands of customers of lucydrops. i dont want any trouble but i want my money! if u havnt paid lucydrop drop pay him! if u have pay him then tell

him to pay me! im scared for my family! if u dont believe me here is lucy password info login lucydrop passyworld lucedad withdraw password lucedadhi5. i will not do anything tilll u message me and tell me whats going on. please get him to pay me asap or pay him asap if u havnt! this is my life here and im scared for my family bcuz of the money i owe"

From Dread Pirate Roberts to FriendlyChemist: "I'm really sorry for your situation. I've never had such a conversation with Lucydrop. He/she must have made it up to trick you. We have no special deal whatsoever."

From FriendlyChemist to Dread Pirate Roberts: "I find it verry hard to believe. he showed the chat loggs talking to u about u making him number 1 seller and being his partner on the product i gave him. i would not have give him that much product otherwise— especially because u made him the 1 seller please dont screw me like this! my life is in danger because of this money i owe! i also kno about the other vendor accounts his friends are using. i have access to those customer lists too from when lucydrop was dropshipping for them im not this kind of person but the only card i hav left to play is dropping 2 dozen vendor identities and thousands of customer details on the web and the forums. what do u and lucydrop think will happen if thousands of usernames, ordr amounts, addresses get leaked? all those people will leave sr and be scared to use it again.. those vendors will all be busted and all there

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customers will be exposed too and never go back to sr i dont want to do that! i just want my money for my product! my life is in danger and maybe my family. the people i borrowed that from are not regular people!! i cant believe i was so stupid and trustng! jus get lucydrop to pay me my money asap or if u havent paid him yet then pay so he pays me the money he owes! please! im freaking out here!"

March 15, 2013 from Dread Pirate Roberts to

FriendlyChemist: "I will get in touch with Lucydrop and get
back to you. Send me all the information you've harvested so I
can verify it."

From Dread Pirate Roberts to Lucydrop, subject
FriendlyChemist: "Hi Lucydrop. I've been contacted by a
member named FriendlyChemist. He claims to know you and have
done business with you in real life. He is making wild
accusation and threats against you me and other members of the
community. If indeed you know him, could you please provide me
with his name and address. I'd like to stop him in his tracks
by revealing that I know who he is and will retaliate if he
does anything stupid. Any other info you can provide is also
welcome. Thanks and sorry for the trouble. DPR. PS-please
don't contact him if possible, I'd like to handle it myself."

From FriendlyChemist to Dread Pirate Roberts: "I didnt have to harvest anything - lucydrop kept a log of every single transaction he made on silkroad like a idiot there r

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thousands and thousands of orders there are over 20 vendor identities from when he did biz with them - some with phone numbers to - and over 5 thousand customer identities he also ran more then 1 account on here nd seems to be still vending on those accts too and did evrything from 1 computers so i have all theyre info too u alrdy kno that i have access to his acct and u can see most of his order r not encrypt so i dont kno why u are asking for me to send all the info to u now. unless u want to warn all those people so you and lucy dont have to pay me his username - lucydrop his pw - lucedad his wd pw lucedadhi5 u say u are not working wit him but u still havn closed his acct when u kno he is scamming but i will give u a address to some customers and u can see he kept logs the whole time. Here are some of his very first sales when he was sending 3tab samples when he first started vending. u can cantact them and see it is true. 3tabs Elwin B, Wellington New Zealand three tabs, Michael S; Beverly Hill, Happy Valley, Hong Kong six tabs; Mayan R Tel-Aviv 63457, Israel, six tabs, Amir N; Technion 32000, Haifa Israel three tabs; Mr. N JB, NS W-2 234 Australia, three tabs, Abraham S."

And let's go to the next message: Zoom in on the bottom.

"And the log goes like that up til today every day. nd that it just 1 of his accts.. he has 3 total of his own he use for different thing But im sure u kno this. or else why u let

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that accunt stay open. I dont want to do anything with this and i wont i just want my money! i am scared for my life and you and him are not giving me answer. maybe if i post all the vendor identity publicly and nobody sell on silkroad lucydrop will have no more sales to scam ppl on his other account. i just want what is owe to me and i will go away! i dont kno why you ppl scam like this! ppl work hard for there money and u are playing with ppl lives! I will wait ur reply from lucydrop — but i dont kno how much longer i can wait.. how can i explain to these ppl i dont have there money when i said i will have it a certain day and now im late? these are not normal ppl and they are getting angry with me Jsut get lucydrop to resolve this, or pay him so he can pay me! i did a favor and this is not fair to play with my life like this!"

From Dread Pirate Roberts to FriendlyChemist: "I'll let you know when I hear from Lucydrop."

From FriendlyChemist to Dread Pirate Roberts: "When will that be? i dont think u guys understand how serious this is have u not payed lucydrop the 700k he is supposed to give me yet? these people i borrowed from have been asking for me to meet them and said they dont want to have to come and find me im scared and u dont seem to even care that u guys are scamming me and putting me life in danger! do i need to release some of list so u take it more serious? i just want what is owed to me! when will u guys make it rite?"

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March 16, 2013, forum post by RealLucyDrop, title "IMPORTANT, please post this thread in the rumor mill - I am the RealLucyDrop. I can't post in rumormill because I don't have 50 posts. Please post this thread in rumormill for me DO NOT BUY FROM LUCYDROP ON SR I can't talk about specifics for security reasons, but i was in jail for more than 2 months but less than 7. I got released very recently. LucyDrop on SilkRoad is NOT ME. DO NOT BUY FROM THAT ACCOUNT. My partner completely fucked me over. I went to our spot.. there is nothing there and he wont answer my phone calls. He took the work computer and everything else. He took my entire savings with him that was being used to keep supply up. He took my entire life. Somebody PLEASE get in contact with DPR or Vendor Support and have the account shut down immediately and freeze all the funds in the account. How can I contact DPR? I can't find a link to message him. I can prove to him that I am the real lucydrop as I do not have access to my pgp or any of my logins. If you ordered from me in the past (namely a couple of top vendors, i can give you details and you can verify/vouch that I am indeed the real LucyDrop) Do not trust anything that is said from that LucyDrop account! Do not send ANY FUNDS. Do NOT FINALIZE ANYTHING." "Somebody please get DPR to see this thread. Someone

"Somebody please get DPR to see this thread. Someone please post this in Rumor mill. My entire life was taken from me and I don't know what to do."

March 16, 2013 from Dread Pirate Roberts to

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RealLucyDrop: "Hi there. How did the new person gain access to your account"?

From RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate Roberts: "It's not a new person who took over the account. It was my partner in real life that I started Lucydrop with. I was the one that actually handled the Lucydrop account until I got arrested. I was picked up on previous drug offense warrants and spent some time in jail. My partner took absolutely everything from me in that time. He took all the work computers, the bitcoin wallets, all the work product and nearly my entire life savings and scammed a bunch of people in the process."

"FriendlyChemist was our middleman to one of our LSD distributers. I called him also after I got released and he is demanding I pay him for some deal he had with my partner when I was in jail and telling me he will do something very stupid if he doesn't get paid. How do you know FriendlyChemist?"

March 17, 2013 from Dread Pirate Roberts to

RealLucyDrop: "I'm so glad you know him! He has gathered the

personal information of many of the customers who worked with

LucyDrop (not sure if you were in control of the account at the

time or not) and also some of the vendors on SR. Now he's

trying to blackmail me by saying he will release all of this

info. If this happened it will be terrible. I need his real

world identity so I can threaten him with violence if he were

to release any names (name, address, anything you have.) It

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sound like he's in a tough spot that your former partner put him in, but I can't get involved and I can't let him release those IDs. Thank you for any help you can provide."

From RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate Roberts: "I don't know how I feel about that solution. Remember that he also knows my real world identity and has evidence on me as well. I'm sure you are well aware of what would happen to me if my information was to be released. If he had access to that computer there is a lot more damaging stuff on there than just the identities of a bunch of vendors and a bunch of customers of mine. There is enough on that computer to put me away for a very long time. He's acting erratic now (understandably, given his situation), but I will set up a meeting with him and try to reason with him. It is also in my best interest that he does not release anything as well as in the best interest of this movement we are a part of..putting power in the peoples hands. I fucking hate what money does to people. I am in contact with him, and I told him that I am talking to you and I'm going to have a meeting with him and try to resolve this problem of ours."

March 18, 2013, from Dread Pirate Roberts to RealLucyDrop: "Okay. Lucy, do me proud." Emoticon.

From RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate Roberts: "Will do.

Obviously I won't ask you what timezone you are in, but can you give me certain hours that are the best to reach you at? The

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delay in messages back and forth make it hard to communicate effectively. I'm in the Pacific time zone. Can you tell me what time in PST are the best times to reach you at? I don't mind having to wake up in the middle of the night to hop on the forums so just tell me whatever works best for you. I will be meeting him today in the morning."

From Dread Pirate Roberts to RealLucyDrop: "I will check in as much as possible. Let me know if you need anything."

March 19, 2013 from RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate Roberts: "I went to the meeting with him and he is extremely frightened. He told me who he owes money to and I understand his concern for his safety, because they are not people you want to owe money to. He is freaking out and truly believes that his life and his families life is in serious danger. He thinks that you don't take him seriously and said he was planning on releasing part of the information to show he is serious. I convinced him not to and reassured him that things would be okay. If that information gets leaked and those vendors get busted, I would get busted too. I tried to not show him that I was too concerned with his threats but I'm not sure how to deal with him. He said he has been doing his research and he says he has discovered the flaw with SR that the buyers have never thought about (I'm assuming he is referring to the fact the vendors all have peoples addresses

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and you can use it against SR or the buyers themselves to extort money or what have you). He also kept talking about the shitstorm that would be caused by that much information being leaked and media/police picking up on it and starting a mass panic. He said if we don't pay him that he will release the information, and if that does not work he will go straight to the police with all the information and get into the witness protection program. The people he borrowed the product from are a big criminal organization in Canada (Hells Angels-not sure if you are familiar with them) and the police have been known to treat witnesses against them very well."

"This is saddening because this guy is really not like this, but I guess with the threat to his and his families life he is under extreme stress and acting out of character. I calmed him down a bit and told him I would find a way to help him. That was somewhat of a lie on my part because I really don't know how I can help him but I wanted to reassure him so he didn't do anything drastic in the meantime until we find a solution."

"I asked him that you would never fully trust him to not use the information against him even if you got paid and he said the following. I'm recalling this all from memory so excuse me if it's not completely accurate."

"He said regardless of anything, he needs to pay the people asap or he's he is in grave danger. He offered me a

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deal because as you know selling on SR was my income and he was my connection for LSD. He said he wants to be paid and that he would then give me product at his cost, so I could pay you back by selling and giving you the percentage of what he would normally put on top when he was selling it to me. He was putting 50 percent on top of his cost when he gave it to me, so he suggested I start vending again and you take 50 percent of all sales. That way you would be paid back in full, I would be able to sell again on SR and that people he borrowed the product from would be paid back and he would be safe. I said that was a bad deal because you still have all the vendors information and customers information. He said that he would be willing to give you his identity, talk to someone on the phone to verify, or give any other identifying information that could be confirmed as collateral so he would never be able to use that information again, and that you would feel confident that the information would never be exposed."

"I don't know what you think, but that is what he said to me. What should I say to him."

March 20, 2013 from RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate

Roberts. The subject this guy is calling me nonstop: "Can you tell me what to tell him, please? I've been stalling him and told him I would get back to him ASAP. Can you just tell me what to tell him so I can make arrangements protect myself in this situation also if he goes through with this threat, I will

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need to protect myself."

From Dread Pirate Roberts to RealLucyDrop: "You know his real-world identity don't you? There is no way I will be handing cash over to a person who is threatening me and my community. Give me his ID so I can have some leverage in dealing with them. You said you don't know what to do now, so let me take over and give me all the info you have so I have the best chance at defusing this situation."

From RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate Roberts: "Yes, I do know his identity, but you threatening him back will not help this situation. He is deathly afraid of the people he owes money to and they already know where he lives and where his kids go to school etc. That will just expedite him going to the police, thus the information being given to them including my identity because they police will want all the information he has if they will protect him and put him in witness protection. Obviously you don't want to be blackmailed and let some fuck take money but this situation is extremely sensitive and I'm getting increasingly worried about my own safety regarding the police or my information being leaked too."

"If I can get some money together would you be willing to help me pay him and then taking 50 percent off of each of my sales to repay you what you have lent? I was the number one vendor with three best selling items on SR so it would not take long. That way I also get to keep my connection for LSD and be

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able to keep vending. I can probably get 300K together or maybe more if I try to borrow some money from friends. I just don't see how you threatening him is going to help the situation at all and will probably just make him go to the police even faster/releasing the information faster since he will know he will not be able to pay them off and will have no choice but to go to the police after releasing the information since he will be in serious trouble."

"Please try and check your messages more often, because whenever I don't have anything to tell him he starts acting more erratic since the people he owes are on him hard about getting paid."

From Dread Pirate Roberts to RealLucyDrop: "Don't bother messaging me again if the message doesn't contain his personal information. I'm not fronting money to anyone and I won't be blackmailed. I would also like the contact info/ID of the other Lucydrop that ripped him off and of his suppliers if possible. You don't know how to handle this situation, but I do. Stop showing this guy compassion. He is threatening our life/freedom and my livelyhood."

March 21, 2013 from RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate

Roberts: "If you really think that you have a good idea to

deal with him, I will give you the information you want about

his identity. Please understand why I'm hesitant as it is my

freedom we're dealing with."

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"I will have no income since he was my connection for Are there any positions open on SR? Support or LSD. otherwise? I could really use some sort of job as my partner completely fucked me over." "Let me know how to send the information to you..plain text or you can give me a PGP key to use." From Dread Pirate Roberts to FriendlyChemist re, Very important: "Have your suppliers contact me here so I can work out something with them. Do not tell them I owe you money.

That is not true and will only complicate matters. Tell them the truth, the person who stole your money sold their product on my site and that you are now blackmailing me to get them their money. You should copy/paste this message to them."

March 21 from Dread Pirate Roberts to RealLucyDrop: "Thank you for your understanding. Please encrypt the information with the key below and send it to me here."

Go to the next page.

"Hate to even ask this but any job operation? I've always been loyal to you and believe in the movement. I was the number one vendor with the number one selling products so I am I am very familiar with how things work.. I just am in a bad spot after my partner fucked me and could use any sort of income while I get back on my feet."

March 21, 2013 from Dread Pirate Roberts to RealLucyDrop: "Please send the exact address of FC. I might

be able to take you in as a part-time mod. I'll run it by the staff."

March 24, 2013 from RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate

Roberts: "That's not a problem. I will go out there in a couple days and get the exact address for you. Did you consult the staff about the part-time job."

March 25, 2013 from Dread Pirate Roberts to

RealLucyDrop: "Not yet. Is he still in contact with you?"

March 25, 2013 from redandwhite to Dread Pirate

Roberts subject FriendlyChemist: "I was asked to contact you.

We are the people FriendlyChemist owes money to. He tells us
that you owe him money and a long boring story about some of
this and some of that. As far as we are concerned—we gave him
the product. Where it went and how it does not matter. We
hold him and him only responsible for the missing
product/money. We don't care if you stole it from him/borrowed
it from him or anything. It was his responsibility to pay for
it. He asked me to contact you anyways. What would you like
to talk to us about?"

3/26/2013 from RealLucyDrop to Dread Pirate Roberts:

"He answers though sporadically...I have heard via the grapevine that he is in contact with the people he owes money to but he is refusing to meet up with them like they have told him to."

March 26, 2013 from Dread Pirate Roberts to

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redandwhite: "Sorry for the delayed response and thank you for getting in touch. We've had some technical difficulties in the past 24 hours I've had to deal with. Just to be clear, I do not owe him any money but he has told me his situation and wants my help. I'm not entirely sure what the best action to take is, but I want to be in communication with you to see if we can come to a conclusion that works for everyone."

"FriendlyChemist aside, we should talk about how we can do business. Obviously you have access to illicit substances in quantity and are having issues with bad distributers. If you don't already sell here on Silk Road I'd like you to consider becoming a vendor. Many people here purchase in bulk as well as retail quantities. Being a vendor, you'll have the protection that dealing anonymously in bitcoin provides, and you'll have protection against people like FriendlyChemist ripping you off because all the transactions are conducted through my escrow. I encourage you to read the Wiki and forum (links in the footer) and consider becoming a vendor here."

"So if there is anything I can do as the admin here to help you get involved in Silk Road, or anything I can do to help with your situation with friendlychemist, please just let me know. DPR."

March 26, 2013 from redandwhite to Dread Pirate

Roberts: "That is interesting. How much is it possible to

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sell on here if we listed every product far cheaper than everyone else? We have a majority hold over most of the movement of products in western Canada, one of the main drug ports in North America. I have researched your site and the concept seems interesting to me (as long as it is as anonymous as everyone makes it out t to be) We produce

LSD/nBome/Ketamine/MDMA/Meth/GHB and import cocaine and heroin in massive bulk amounts. We have a lot of workers who run their own sub distribution networks for the streets, but if it is lucrative we are always looking to expand."

"In my partners eyes all they will see is that because of online dealing we are out out 700k so I'm not sure they will go for it. FriendlyChemist refuses to meet up with us because of what he fears will happen. People are starting to suspect that he will go to the police, which is not a problem because he would never be able to give up anyone of importance since he only has ever had contact with low level people in our group and they always take precautions so that even if someone were to turn informant, they would not be able to get any charges to stick. It's a shame because he moved a fair amount of product. If you can get FriendlyChemist to meet up with us, or pay us his debt then I'm sure I would be able to get people in our group to give this online side of the business a try. As it stands right now, there are people looking for him and since he has avoided our group, I'm not sure what will happen since he

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owes us money and is avoiding us. I've looked around your site, and the prices are absolutely absurd. I'm assuming most people on here selling are three or four tiers before the actual producers or distributers?"

From Dread Pirate Roberts to RealLucyDrop on March 27, 2013: "Why haven't you gotten the address yet. Bring me the address and \$1,000 in BTC is yours."

March 27, 2013 from Dread Pirate Roberts to read and white re FriendlyChemist: "In my eyes FriendlyChemist is a liability and I wouldn't mind if he was executed but then you'd be out your 700K. I don't think he is going to come up with the money because he seems very desperate. I'm not sure how much you already know about the guy, but I have the following info and am waiting on getting his address.

"Blake Krokoff off lives in an apartment near White Rock Beach, age 34, City of White Rock, Province, British Columbia, wife plus three kids. Let me know if it would be helpful to have his full address.

"Let me know if it would be helpful to have his full address. In those categories, I think you could be doing over \$1M in sales a week within a few months. It is hard to estimate because it depends on how much market share you get and also the site as a whole is constantly growing. You will need to become very proficient at stealth shipping and packaging if you aren't already. Think vacuum sealers and leaving no forensic

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evidence on your packages. You will also want to ship from multiple drop points so you can't be traced back via your (fake) return address. If you go through with this, I would contact some of the top vendors and hire them to consult you. Ask the weed vendors because you won't be competing with them and their product is smelly and looked for by USPS, so they have to be on top of their game. I would also start out listing smaller amounts so you can get the hang of it before putting up a substantial inventory. You will also need to market yourself on the forums a little bit at first, maybe send out some samples to critics. That is one price of anonymity, no one knows you, but if your customer service is good and your product is good and cheap people will quickly catch on and you won't have to do much hustling.

"Regarding prices, there are some costs here you don't otherwise see. I take three to ten percent depending on the sides of the transaction. If you hedge your escrow balance) and you should (that can cost up to five percent per transaction and then if you need to convert your bitcoins into another currency there are fees associated with that, though not that much. There are only occasional losses due to packages lost in the mail. The rest of the markup is due I think as you say to the fact that most vendors are pretty far down the distribution chain.

"Regarding the safety and anonymity, we've been

operating for over two years now in the open as a high profile target and are still going strong. If you take the necessary precautions and use technology I think you can operate very securely and efficiently here, maybe more so than some of your current operations."

THE COURT: Mr. Howard, I think we're going to need to stop there.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MR}}.$  HOWARD: Can I show one exhibit with this last message and we can stop.

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. HOWARD: Can we go over to the last page, please, the previous page. Can you zoom in where it starts Blake, where the name is through the next line. Can you move that to the top of the screen. Can you please publish Government Exhibit 275E on the bottom of the screen, which has already been admitted into evidence. It's a file that's been recovered from the defendant's computer.

THE COURT: What are you turning us to?

MR. HOWARD: It's the log file.

THE COURT: 275D?

MR. HOWARD: 275. The E was a typo in my notes. 275 on the bottom, Mr. Evert.

- Q. Mr. Shaw, does that information match?
- 24 A. Yes, it does.
- MR. HOWARD: Could we go to the metadata on that file,

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the 275, the last page and zoom in on the bottom left-hand 1 2 corner and give me the full top name.

"home/frosty/backup/reference/by me/ops.txt."

This would be a good time to stop.

THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, we are going to end for the day. We're going to pick up on Monday, but I want to let you know that if -- it's very likely that we're going to be sitting on Friday next week so you should make sure -- we haven't been sitting on Fridays so far, but I said that if there was a possibility that you'd be in the midst of deliberations, I would have you continue to sit on Friday. This is from way back during jury selection. So just bear that in mind.

We'll see how things progress and I'll try to give you some updates, but I just wanted to give you some advance notice so that you have your calendars appropriately organized.

Now, I want to remind you for this weekend, again, you've heard an awful lot of evidence. There's more to come. And you've been here for a while. So I know my voice is probably becoming sort of -- it gets like a lull. But I really do want to make sure that you folks know how important it is that you don't talk to anybody, including each other about this case. You avoid all media relating to this case and you don't try to go off and start searching any of the websites that you hear about. You hear about an awful lot. You're probably

yourself on the computers a lot. You need to not engage in any

temptation to run a few searches yourself, don't do that all right.

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I hope you have a terrific weekend and we'll see you Monday morning the usual time. We'll start at 9:30. Thank you.

(Jury excused)

THE COURT: Sir, you may step down. You should be in your chair at 9:30. Thank you.

THE WITNESS: Thanks.

(Witness temporarily excused)

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(In open court; jury not present) 1 THE COURT: Let's all be seated, ladies and gentlemen. 2 3 It's Thursday afternoon. Give me a sense, Mr. Howard, so we can figure out when the defense case is going to start, when 4 5 approximately you're going to end with this witness. And 6 mr. Dratel will have a sense as to how long he might take. 7 MR. HOWARD: This is the last lengthy portion ready reading. I think there are another couple Tor chats. There's 8 9 not much more after this very long piece. I would guess an hour and-a-half to two hours max. 10 THE COURT: So if we start anywhere in the vicinity of 11 9:30 on Monday, hope springs eternal, then that would be 12 13 11:30-ish. 14 MR. HOWARD: I think that's right. I think we're 15 definitely going to finish before lunch. THE COURT: Then Mr. Dratel will have whatever cross 16 he's going to have. How much does the government have after 17 that in terms of stipulations or anything else that you'll need 18 to do, if anything? 19 20 MR. HOWARD: I think there's a very few things that 21 we'd want to read into the record. 22 THE COURT: Ten minutes, five minutes, 20 minutes. 23 MR. HOWARD: Five to ten minutes max. 24 THE COURT: Mr. Dratel and Ms. Lewis, we're likely to 25 get to your case then Monday after -- in fact, it sounds like

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we will get to your case Monday after lunch—ish. In that regard, we'll need to talk about the logistics of when you're going to give the notice if you're — if Mr. Ulbricht is going to testify. One of the options is if he's going to testify and the other folks I realize are not going to be in town, then obviously he could since he's sitting here, he can testify then. That's one possibility.

But I think it would be fair to give the government some notice of that at some point prior to that, but that's an option in terms of getting your folks here. Otherwise, I don't know how — if your expert is local, let me hear from you, Mr. Dratel.

MR. DRATEL: We'll coordinate so we'll be ready to go at that point on Monday. I mean, if obviously we'll have as many people here as we need to. People are booking their travel. That's what we're trying to do.

THE COURT: When will you have an answer on whether  $\mbox{Mr.}$  Ulbricht will testify?

MR. DRATEL: I don't know.

THE COURT: Is it possible over the weekend?

MR. DRATEL: It's possible, but I don't know. You know, he gets the right to make that decision; even if he told me today, he gets the right to change his mind.

THE COURT: I certainly understand that. It's also the case that the Court is entitled to ensure that we have an

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orderly trial and that he makes a decision in a reasonable time. There are many judges who would have required it before now. It's not my style to require for the defense that they say it one way or the other for sure before the end of the government's case. However, if you're leaning one way or the other, then it's fair to get notice because he would be a substantial witness to prepare for cross-examination for.

MR. DRATEL: I assume that they would be prepared for him no matter what because this has been going on for a long time. So I can't make him decide it before he is ready to decide it.

THE COURT: What I'm saying is, first of all, and I'll be clear to Mr. Ulbricht because I can see him and we see each other all day long, and you need to decide by the end of the government's case and convey that to Mr. Dratel in consultation with Mr. Dratel and after — when the government rests, at that point, we're into the defense case and we need to know.

So, if you folks have decided that earlier, then I ask you to notify me and the government that you have made a determination one way or the other. If that occurs, tomorrow, tonight, over the weekend, if you haven't, so be it. We'll break at the end of the government's case and I'll ask you then but it will also give me a sense in terms of timing, it will give me a pretty much better sense than I have right now to how long the case will last.

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MR. DRATEL: I object for this reason. He has a right to see -- he has a right to determine after the defense witnesses testify whether he likes it or not, whether he thinks he should testify.

THE COURT: You can look at the case law on that.

There's ample case law on precisely this issue. I'm sure
you're aware of it.

Now, let's talk about closings. It is my practice always to go directly into closings. There will not be an overnight if there's time left in the day unless there's not enough file to get to a closing.

Let's take an example. If, for example, the defense case is over by 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday or 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, you will do your closings on Tuesday. So you should prepare for closings shortly thereafter. If it's Wednesday, it will be Wednesday. If it's Thursday, it will be Thursday. If it's the following week because the case is still going and we're not in deliberations in which case I will not make the jury sit on Friday, but just bear that in mind because sometimes people get an overnight. You might, if we end at 3:00 one day or 3:30 and it seems like a logical thing to do, but you may not.

Now, the last item I have is for jury instructions. For jury instructions, we got through all but the last couple and I've got some decisions to make and you folks have letters that you were going to send me if you wanted to on any

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remaining issues.

I'll take those tomorrow any time during the day tomorrow any additional last comments; otherwise, my intention is to finalize them and to send you folks another draft and we'll then talk about -- I'll go through with you on Monday morning or I'll issue something written shortly thereafter which gives you the results of my determinations, but I know I'm waiting for a couple of things from Mr. Dratel in particular.

MR. DRATEL: And also a defense theory which we will have at the appropriate time.

THE COURT: Obviously, if you have an instruction to add that corresponds with the evidence, but what we're going to be doing, we'll need to get that, but I will instruct the jury as soon as you rest because it's possible that if, for instance — I have to be prepared to. If, for instance, it's 3:00 in the afternoon, I want to play out the timing, and we're not going to close because it's too late in the day to get you both in, then I may give at least give some of the instructions at the close of all evidence. So I want to make sure that I have it if you want something built in early on.

MR. DRATEL: We would have that Monday. It's just when the government rests.

THE COURT: Terrific.

MR. DRATEL: It's purely just not to have a defense

F1tqulb7 Shaw - direct theory and then respond to while they still have their case. 1 2 THE COURT: That's fine. That's fine. And if there's 3 anything else that has gotten modified as we have gone along, because of the evidence that comes in obviously, we said that 4 5 we would revisit that and we will. 6 Are there things which you folks would like to address 7 apart from that? MR. TURNER: There are several, your Honor. First of 8 9 all, in terms of defense 3500 in the exhibits, we'd like to get a sense -- we'd like to set a deadline for that. We have 10 consulted with defense counsel and defense counsel has told us 11 12 they will try to give us that information tomorrow. I would 13 just like for some date to be set on the record. 14 THE COURT: When is the last that you need it by given your resources which are greater than the defense's? 15 MR. TURNER: Well, we would like it, since we're going 16 17 to start with the defense case on Monday, I think we'd like it at least by Saturday morning, 48 hours. 18 THE COURT: Why don't we split these into two groups. 19 20 There are, as I understand it, I don't know if the composition 21 has changed, but there is the expert witness and then there are 22 the somewhere, half a dozen to seven or so character witnesses. 23 As I understand it, Ms. Lewis, those are the two

groups that you described yesterday?

MS. LEWIS: That's correct.

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THE COURT: Is it easier to get one set versus the other at one point in time and let me get a sense from the defense as to what you folks are thinking.

MR. DRATEL: 3500 we were planning on getting to the

MR. DRATEL: 3500 we were planning on getting to the government probably by tomorrow evening I think is viable. Exhibits is a little different for a couple of reasons: One of which is the government is still on its case. Everything we turn over to the government becomes part of their case, so I'm really not inclined to start giving them exhibits so that they can then call another witness or do something else with it or have this witness talk about it if it's something from there.

We'll give them the exhibits as soon as they rest and they're not going to be voluminous. It's all stuff they're familiar with. This is all stuff from the discovery for the post part. If it's not, if it's stuff having to do with an expert, we'll get that so that everybody has notice. We have been getting exhibits every morning, every night.

THE COURT: On the 3500 material, Friday evening is fine. And we'll just make it at any point in time on Friday since the government said Saturday morning for the 3500 material.

MR. DRATEL: All right.

THE COURT: So get it to the government how ever logistically you folks arrange that.

In terms of the exhibits, when you say "not

voluminous," again can you split them between the two groups?

Are these really for the expert or are they other? Are they

for the seven?

MR. DRATEL: I don't think the character/fact

witnesses have exhibits necessarily. Maybe one, maybe a couple of things -- it's possible one or two pieces.

THE COURT: In terms of the expert, I take it that you have to have given the proper disclosure in any event to the government and that's all done.

MR. DRATEL: Yes. We have one expert that we're going to disclose probably later tonight based on what happened today.

MR. TURNER: On the expert, we're actually going to move to preclude. We don't believe the notice is sufficient.

THE COURT: Preview for me, is it because you don't think the notice is sufficiently detailed or for some other reason?

MR. TURNER: Three reasons: We don't think that the subject matters of the testimony requires specialized knowledge, we don't think they're relevant to the case and in any event, the expert disclosure does not even provide the opinions that this expert is going to provide. It just lists subject matters, very general topics of discussion and there's very clear law it's not sufficient under Rule 16, so we prepared a submission. We were going to file it with the Court

shortly after we get back.

THE COURT: I'll wait to see it. And that will increase the workload of the defense in terms of needing to respond to it because I'll need to rule on that very quickly on Monday morning. It will be an initial order of business at 9:00 a.m. So let me see when yours comes in. And if you can confer with the defense as to timing on when they can respond and recite that, that would be helpful. If you can't, then Mr. Dratel, if you can let me, as soon as it's filed, have a sense Tuesday the soonest you can get it.

MR. DRATEL: Yes.

THE COURT: Because I don't want to give you a deadline --

MR. DRATEL: Understand. I understand.

THE COURT: But I'd like to be able to read both.

What's the topic of the expert?

MR. DRATEL: Bitcoin. And the other expert is the Computers, these computer issues.

THE COURT: Let's deal with these as they come in. I take the heads-up Mr. Turner now. Now, in terms of numbers of -- in terms of exhibits, let's assume for the moment because I want to work on the logistics as well and I just don't know how any of this is going to come out: When is the time frame that you need the exhibits by?

MR. TURNER: I think any expert witness we would need

them sooner rather than later. The fact witnesses, the character witnesses are less of a concern.

I would add this is extremely late for disclosure of another expert witness so we would hope that that disclosure is made very promptly.

THE COURT: Well, if it's coming out of today with Mr. Yum in terms of his analysis, that's one thing and we'll deal with it when we see what the notice is; and you folks, if you've got an issue, you'll raise the issue and the defense will respond.

MR. TURNER: I was speaking of the second expert, the computer issues expert.

THE COURT: He said it was coming out of --

MR. DRATEL: I'm sorry. I may have misspoke. It is coming out of a series of witnesses, some of whom testified I think as late as yesterday, but it also has to do with some of the limitations on cross that have occurred in the last couple of days. So you say we have to call a witness, we'll call a witness.

THE COURT: Well, I said we would take up the application if you're going to call a witness. So if you need to call a witness and you're going to attempt it, it doesn't mean you get around the Rule 16 disclosure requirement. So you'll work with the government, make your disclosures. If the government has a problem with it, they'll raise it with me and

we'll take it from there, all right?

MR. DRATEL: Just so we're clear: Again, every day we get new exhibits. It is not something that's out of the realm of a trial. They're going to get something in sufficient time to work with it much more time than we have had to work with much of what they have done.

THE COURT: I hear your frustration and your point.

MR. DRATEL: Thank you.

THE COURT: And we'll take it one step at a time.

What I'd like to do right now is the 3500 material is going to go over. Let me get a sense of what this expert is about. And you folks talk about whether or not you can get some timing. I mean, if plenty of time means you're not going to get the exhibits to them before the fellow or woman -- I don't know who it is -- testifies, the expert, that's one thing. That's one set of issues. If it's going to be Sunday at midday, that's something else. I just need to have a sense. Let me let you think about it because it's Thursday evening, so rather than imposing something, but if I don't hear from you folks generally, then I'll make some decisions.

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MR. DRATEL: Many of these things were denominated as government exhibits in the first exhibit list that they pulled. So this is no surprise. It is not.

THE COURT: If it is relatively straightforward to do that, then perhaps it is not, you know -- for some of them at least, you can have the government start working on some of them.

MR. DRATEL: I don't want to keep coming back and then some other way that the government then -- they made the decision as to what they want to do. Then I want to make the decision as to what we want to do and not have them compromise --

THE COURT: The one thing I have to say is have you tried a lot of case where the defense shows nothing until the government rests?

MR. DRATEL: Sometimes, yes.

THE COURT: Sometimes. Not very often. It is a rather -- it is not very often. Not in federal court. It's a unique view as to what the defense can do.

Now, I am attempting to have as much patience as is, I think, possible with this, but your view as to things is sometimes beyond my comprehension.

MR. DRATEL: OK. I would just say the predominant number of cases that I have been in, even when the defense puts on a case, that the government doesn't get the kind of advance

notice that the government is seeking here of any of this material. THE COURT: All right. MR. DRATEL: Maybe 3500. THE COURT: All right. We're adjourned. We'll pick up on Monday morning at 9. You folks, if you have lost track of what you owe me in terms of jury instructions or anything else, make sure you look at the transcript because I will hold you to it. We're adjourned. THE CLERK: All rise. (Adjourned to 9 a.m., Monday, February 2, 2015) 

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